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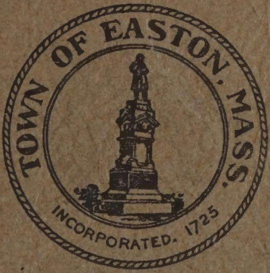
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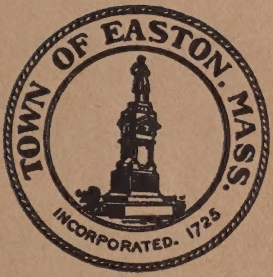
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TOWN OFFICERS, 1944

Moderator

JOSEPH W. LINEHAN

Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare

EDGAR W. BALDWIN
DENIS C. BROPHY
ALBERT E. WOOD

Assessor of Taxes

JOSEPH W. LINEHAN	Term expires 1945
KENNETH C. HAYWARD	Term expires 1946
MARY E. WADE	Term expires 1947

Town Clerk, Treasurer and Tax Collector

JOHN M. SMITH

Assistant Town Clerk

WINIFRED CUNNINGHAM

School Committee

ARTHUR F. ANDERSON	Term expires 1946
ALICE K. BRIGGS	Term expires 1947
HORACE H. MITCHELL	Term expires 1947
ROGER A. McNAMARA	Term expires 1945
EDGAR W. WATTS	Term expires 1945

Superintendent of Schools

GILBERT C. MANN

Board of Health

DAVID J. O'CONNELL	Deceased Feb. 4, 1944
ROBERT B. PORTER	January to March, 1944
JACOB BRENNER	Term expires 1947
CLYDE A. CRAIG	Term expires 1945
CORA M. HENNIGAR	Term expires 1946

Tree Warden

ROSCOE W. MELENDY

Superintendent of Moth Work

ROSCOE W. MELENDY

Registrars of Voters

JOHN J. GALVIN	Term expires 1945
SIGFRID V. LEDIN	Term expires 1946
LUTHER E. SWIFT	Term expires 1947

Chief of Fire Department

ARTHUR W. BAILEY

Forest Warden

ARTHUR W. BAILEY

Chief of Police

HERBERT S. BERGLUND

Constables

HERBERT S. BERGLUND
GEORGE A. PIERSON

Dog Officer

JOHN W. CHILLINGWORTH

Superintendent of Streets

FRANK E. WILBUR

Sealer of Weights and Measures

JOHN W. CHILLINGWORTH

Inspector of Animals

J. CLINTON GOWARD

Inspector of Slaughtering

GEORGE CARR

J. CLINTON GOWARD

Inspector of Milk

LEO J. FITZPATRICK

Town Accountant

STANLEY F. RICE

Town Attorney

RICHARD J. HATCHFIELD

Public Welfare and Old Age Assistance Bureau

MARGARET E. HARVEY, Agent

Finance Committee

MERVIN I. BOWDEN
WALFRID J. G. BROMAN
WILLIS G. BUCK
JOSEPH CONNOLLY
EDGAR W. CRAIG
HARRIS A. DeWITT
NORMAN O. DURFEE
TOM H. GREGG
HERMAN HALVARSON
JOHN B. HOWARD
DANIEL L. KENT
NEUBERT B. MORSE
ROBERT G. WATT
CLARKE L. WILCOX
MYRON F. WILLIAMS

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, 1944

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Bristol, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Easton, in the County of Bristol, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Easton qualified to vote in elections and town affairs to meet in the Oliver Ames High School Auditorium in said Easton on Monday, the sixth day of March, next, at 8:00 o'clock P. M. then and there to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the Selectmen, Assessors, Board of Public Welfare, Board of Health, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, School Committee, Town Accountant, Tree Warden and any committee of the Town and take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the Town Charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Public Welfare or the Board of Old Age Assistance to appoint one of their members to the position of investigator and to determine his compensation to be paid from grant of Federal Aid.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Memorial Day and Armistice Day to be expended under the direction of Elijah A. Morse Camp, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, George S. Shepard Post No. 7, American Legion, and George F. Schindler Post No. 2547, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the Financial Year beginning January 1, 1945, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to use from surplus revenue to reduce the tax levy for the current year.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a new Police car, the car now in use to be turned in as part of the purchase price, and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 for payments of War Allowances World War #2 or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to allocate from monies raised and appropriated for highway purposes, such sums as may be necessary for maintenance, improvement and construction of streets within the Town, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County for the purpose, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Road Machinery Fund to which shall be credited all receipts from the use or rental of road machinery, the proceeds to be appropriated as voted by the Town for road machinery purposes; or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money, or authorize the Selectmen to allocate an amount from the appropriation for highways, to establish a Road Machinery Account for the purpose of repairing and operating road machinery; or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for a fund to be known as the Emergency Defense Fund to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen for the purpose of defraying the cost and expenses which may be incurred in order to secure such equipment and facilities as may be deemed necessary to protect the interest of the Town because of the present National Emergency.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell and convey the land and buildings thereon, known as the Pyper Property, located on the westerly side of Purchase Street, or take any other action relative to the disposition of the same.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to accept as laid out by the Selectmen, a portion of Main Street at or near the corner of Elm Street, as shown on a plan on file at the Town Clerk's Office.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to accept as laid out by the Selectmen, a portion of Depot Street at or near the cornor of Pine Street, as shown on a plan on file at the Town Clerk's Office.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to accept as laid out by the Selectmen, a portion of Turnpike Street at or near the corner of Depot Street, as shown on a plan on file at the Town Clerk's Office.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell and convey, for a sufficient consideration, whatever interest the Town may have in those parcels of land purchased for the Town at a low value sale held on December 21 and 22, 1943, a deed for which has been duly recorded at the Bristol County, Northern District, Registry of Deeds.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to petition the General Court for the enactment of an act whereby the Town may provide by by-law for the election of an appropriation, advisory or finance committee under section sixteen of Chapter thirty-nine of the General Laws, said act to further provide that all acts done by all such committees heretofore elected by the Town shall be confirmed and made valid to the same extent as if this act had been in effect at the time of the election of said committee, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the collection of garbage in the Town of Easton and for the disposal thereof, and to authorize the Board of Health, for and in behalf of the Town, to advertise for bids and to award a contract for such purpose to the lowest responsible bidder, said bidder to be required to furnish a performance bond. (By petition.)

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 1 of Article 2 of the By-Laws of the Town so as Section 1 of Article 2 of said By-Laws will read as follows: "There shall be a Finance Committee of fifteen members, which committee shall be appointed as provided in the following section known as Section 1-a of Article 2 of the By-Laws of the Town." (By petition.)

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to insert the following Section 1 of Article 2 of the By-Laws of the Town the following new section to be known as Section 1-a of Article 2. "Section 1-a: Following the adoption and approval of this By-Law, the Moderator shall appoint from the citizens of the Town five members whose term of office shall expire at the adjournment of the annual town meeting of 1945; five members whose term of office shall expire at the adjournment of the annual town meeting of 1946; and five members whose term of office shall expire at the adjournment of the annual town meeting of 1947 and at each annual meeting hereafter the Moderator thereof shall appoint five members to said Finance Committee to serve for the term of three years. The terms of said members shall expire at the close or final adjournment of the annual town meeting at which their successors are appointed." (By petition.)

ARTICLE 22. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Easton, qualified to vote in elections residing in Precinct One, to meet at the Furnace Village School; those residing in Precinct Two, to meet at the Ames Memorial Hall; and those residing in Precinct Three, to meet at the South Easton School House, on Monday, the 13th day of March next at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon to bring in their votes all on one ballot for one member of the Board of Assessors, for a term of three years; two members of the Board of Health, one for a term of one year and one for a term of three years; and one member of the School Committee for a term of one year and two members for a term of three years; Moderator, three Selectmen, three members of the Board of Public Welfare, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Tree Warden, and a Finance Committee of fifteen, all for a term of one year. The Polls will be open at 10:00 o'clock A. M. and shall be closed at 8:00 o'clock P. M.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at each meeting house and post office in said Town, and one at the Oliver Ames High School Auditorium seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting, and said Town Clerk is hereby required to make return of this warrant to the Warden or Deputy Warden at the time and place of holding said meeting for the election of officers, and said Warden is hereby required to make return of this warrant to the Town Clerk, together with his return of officers elected at the close of said meeting

Given under our hands this 14th day of February in the year nineteen hundred and forty-four.

EDGAR W. BALDWIN,
DENIS C. BROPHY,
ALBERT E. WOOD,
Selectmen of Easton,

Bristol, ss. Easton, Mass., February 25, 1944.

By virtue hereof, and as within directed, I have this day posted attested copies of this warrant.

GEORGE A. PIERSON,
Constable of Easton.

A true copy of the warrant and return thereon.

Attest: JOHN M. SMITH, Town Clerk.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, March 6, 1944

The meeting was called to order at eight o'clock P. M., and the warrant read by the Moderator, Joseph W. Linehan.

Article 1. Voted that the report of the Board of Assessors be accepted.

Voted that the report of the Board of Selectmen be accepted.

Voted that the report of the Board of Public Welfare be accepted.

Voted that the report of the Board of Health be accepted.

Voted that the report of the Town Clerk be accepted.

Voted that the report of the Town Treasurer be accepted.

Voted that the report of the Collector of Taxes be accepted.

Voted that the report of the School Committee be accepted.

Voted that the report of the Town Accountant be accepted.

Voted that the report of the Tree Warden be accepted.

Article 2. A motion was made to raise and appropriate the sum of $700.00 for Assessors' Expense. At this time, Mr. Joseph W. Linehan, as Chairman of the Assessors, stated that the Brockton Gas Light Company had applied for a drastic reduction in tax valuation in Easton, as well as in the district. The Easton Board of Assessors had refused to reduce the valuation, as also had various other towns in the district, and the Brockton Gas Light Company had taken the matter to the Appellate Tax Board. The Chairman stated that further funds would be required to contest the case. An amendment to the motion was then adopted, increasing the amount of the appropriation to $1225.00. It was then voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1225.00 for Assessors' Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $3500.00 for Aid to Dependent Children.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 for Aid to Dependent Children Administration.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 for Care of Cemeteries.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 for Dog Officer's Account.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $825.00 for Election Expense.

Voted to appropriate from the Overlay Reserve Account the sum of $3000.00 for the Emergency Fund.

Voted that the sum of $25.00 be raised and appropriated for Finance Committee Expense.

Voted that the sum of $9300.00 be raised and appropriated for the Fire Department.

Voted that the sum of $300.00 be raised and appropriated for the Forest Warden's Salary.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $3000.00 for the Health Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $600.00 for Employment of Nurses.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 for Inspection of Animals.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 for Interest on Notes.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 for Incidentals.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $600.00 for Legal Services.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $2500.00 for the Moth Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $36,000.00 for Old Age Assistance.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 for Old Age Assistance Administration.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $991.00 for Pensions.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $8916.40 for the Police Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $6500.00 for Public Welfare.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $14,700.00 for the Road Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 for Registrars of Voters' Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $225.00 for Registrars of Voters' Salaries.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $875.00 for Rent of Town Offices.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 for Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 for Selectmen's Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1000.00 for Soldiers' Relief.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1400.00 for Tax Collector's Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $800.00 for Town Accountant's Salary.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $75.00 for Town Accountant's Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 for Town Clerk's Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $6865.00 for Town Officers' Salaries.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $800.00 for Salary of Town Physician.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $622.20 for Town Reports.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1075.00 for Town Treasurer's Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $2600.00 for Tree Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $104,401.00 for the School Department.

Article 3. Voted to authorize the Board of Public Welfare or the Board of Old Age Assistance to appoint one member to the position of investigator, and allow compensation of $200.00 from grant of federal funds for Old Age Assistance Administration.

Article 4. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $375.00 for Memorial Day and Armistice Day, to be expended under the direction of Elijah A. Morse Camp, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, George S. Shepard Post No. 7, American Legion, and George F. Schindler Post No. 2547, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Article 5. Voted that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time on and after January 1, 1945, in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1945, and to issue a note or notes of the town therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Article 6. A motion was made to authorize the Assessors to utilize an amount not in excess of $15,000.00 from surplus revenue, to reduce the tax levy for the current year. An amendment was adopted, that the amount to be used from surplus revenue be left to the discretion of the Assessors, and it was so voted.

Article 7. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1300.00 for the purchase of a new motor vehicle for the Police Department, the car now in use to be turned in as part of the purchase price.

Article 8. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1000.00 for payment of War Allowances, World War #2.

Article 9. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to allocate from monies raised and appropriated for highway purposes, such sums as may be necessary for maintenance, improvement and construction of streets within the town, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the state or county for this purpose.

Article 10. Voted to establish a Road Machinery Fund, to which shall be credited all receipts from the use or rental of road machinery, the proceeds to be appropriated as voted by the town for road machinery purposes.

Article 11. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to allocate from the appropriation for highways, such sum as may be necessary for the purpose of establishing a Road Machinery Account for the purpose of repairing and operating road machinery.

Article 12. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 for a fund to be known as the Emergency Defense Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen in defraying the costs and expenses which may be incurred in securing such equipment and facilities as may be deemed necessary to protect the interests of the town in the present national emergency.

Article 13. A motion was made to authorize the Selectmen to sell and convey for a sufficient consideration the land and buildings thereon known as the Pyper property, located on the westerly side of Purchase Street, and to execute such deeds or other instruments as may be necessary therefor.

A motion to amend was offered, to provide that out of the proceeds of any such sale, the claims against Mrs. Pyper of H. Y. Mitchell Company for $96.97 and of John O. Dean Company for $81.80 be paid, after the town has been first reimbursed for all expenses in connection with the care of Mrs. Elsie Pyper and the expenses of the sale. After discussion, the Town Counsel, Richard Hatchfield, stating that any such payment of private individuals would be illegal, the amendment was tabled.

It was then voted to authorize the Selectmen to sell and convey, for a sufficient consideration, the land and buildings thereon, known as the Pyper property, located on the westerly side of Purchase Street, and to execute such deeds or other instruments as may be necessary therefor.

Article 14. Voted to authorize the Selectmen in the name and on behalf of the town to acquire by gift for highway purposes, land situated on Main Street at or near the corner of Elm Street, as shown on a plan on file at the Town Clerk's office.

Article 15. Voted to authorize the Selectmen, in the name and on behalf of the town, to acquire by gift for highway purposes, land situated on Depot Street at or near the corner of Pine Street, as shown on a plan on file at the Town Clerk's office.

Article 16. Voted to authorize the Selectmen, in the name and on behalf of the town, to acquire by gift for highway purposes, land situated on Turnpike Street, at or near the corner of Depot Street, as shown on a plan on file at the Town Clerk's office.

Article 17. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to sell and convey, for a sufficient consideration, whatever interest the town may have in those parcels of land purchased for the town at a low value sale held on December 21 and 22, 1943, a deed for which has been duly recorded at the Bristol County Northern District Registry of Deeds.

A motion to take up Article 20 at this time was not carried.

Article 18. A motion to dismiss the article was not carried.

After discussion, it was voted to authorize the Selectmen to petition the General Court for the enactment of an act whereby the town may provide by by-law for the election of an appropriation, advisory or finance committee under section 16 of Chapter 39 of the General Laws, said act to further provide that all acts done by all such committees heretofore elected by the town shall be confirmed and made valid to the same extent as if this act had been in effect at the time of the election of said committees.

Article 19. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $2500.00 for the Collection of Garbage and for the disposal thereof, and authorize the Board of Health, for and in behalf of the town, to advertise for bids and to award a contract for such purpose to the lowest responsible bidder, said bidder to be required to furnish a performance bond.

Article 20. The article was not accepted.

Article 21. Voted to dismiss the article.

Article 22. A motion was made to reconsider action taken under Article 2, by increasing the amount of the School Department appropriation, so as to provide for an additional increase of $100.00 for all teachers, principal, school nurse, clerk and full-time janitors. The motion was not carried.

Meeting adjourned.

A true record.
Attest: JOHN M. SMITH, Town Clerk.

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION, MARCH 13, 1944

In accordance with the warrant, the voters of the town met at their respective polling places on Monday, March 13, 1944.

The following persons were duly sworn, and performed the duties of election officers:

Precinct One—Clifton C. Ripley, Warden; Gertrude C. Heath, Deputy Warden; Jennie M. Goss, Clerk; Edith F. Schleicher, Deputy Clerk; Hazel M. Harvey, John W. H. Stokinger, Emily L. Wry, Michael J. Canty, Tellers.

Precinct Two—Stanley F. Rice, Warden; Algernon B. Varnum, Deputy Warden; Mildred Deady, Clerk; Anna M. Fox, Deputy Clerk; Francis J. Callahan, George A. Carter, Michael W. Murphy, John W. Mahoney, Helen T. Benson, Frances A. Dineen, I. Beulah Broman, Bernice E. Watts, Tellers.

Precinct Three—Harry Howard, Warden; Steven Southworth, Deputy Warden; Kathryn C. Howard, Clerk; Victoria E. M. Hill, Gladys Alger, Jessie G. Nickerson, Catherine P. Meade, Fred T. Ricker, Isabelle S. Pratt, Tellers.

The polls were opened at ten o'clock A. M., and closed at eight o'clock P. M.

The number of ballots cast in Precinct One was two hundred and fifty-six; in Precinct Two, nine hundred fifty-two; in Precinct Three, three hundred forty-nine, total vote, fifteen hundred fifty-seven.

The result of the election was as follows:

SELECTMEN

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Edgar W. Baldwin	163	543	224	930
Denis C. Brophy	208	560	268	1036
Lewis R. Mason	163	406	235	804
Albert E. Wood	115	603	158	876
Blanks	119	744	162	1025

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Edgar W. Baldwin	160	545	230	935
Denis C. Brophy	209	568	265	1042
Lewis R. Mason	157	410	232	799
Albert E. Wood	114	590	160	864
Blanks	128	743	160	1031

ASSESSOR

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Mary E. Wade	232	752	290	1274
Blanks	24	200	59	283

TOWN CLERK

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
John M. Smith	230	800	304	1334
Blanks	26	152	45	223

TOWN TREASURER

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
John M. Smith	230	795	297	1322
Blanks	26	157	52	235

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
John M. Smith	229	795	299	1323
Blanks	27	157	50	234

BOARD OF HEALTH (To fill vacancy) One Year

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Clyde A. Craig	196	745	246	1187
Scattering	0	2	1	3
Blanks	60	205	102	367

BOARD OF HEALTH, for three years (Vote for one)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Jacob Brenner	215	675	261	1151
Scattering	0	1	0	1
Blanks	41	276	88	405

SCHOOL COMMITTEE (To fill vacancy) one year

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Francis J. Reardon	54	358	72	484
Edgar W. Watts	174	510	235	919
Blanks	28	84	42	154

SCHOOL COMMITTEE, for three years (Vote for two)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Alice K. Briggs	227	693	283	1203
Horace H. Mitchell	212	577	276	1065
Blanks	73	634	139	846

TREE WARDEN

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Roscoe W. Melendy	225	684	290	1199
Blanks	31	268	59	358

MODERATOR

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Joseph W. Linehan	9	167	9	185
Roger A. McNamara	70	48	42	160
Scattering	7	14	8	29
Blanks	170	723	290	1183

FINANCE COMMITTEE (Fifteen)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Mervin I. Bowden	163	447	221	831
Walfrid J. G. Broman	171	560	227	958
Willis G. Buck	188	513	234	935
Joseph Connolly	172	562	220	954
Edgar W. Craig	179	542	231	952
Harris A. DeWitt	173	508	230	911
Norman O. Durfee	181	470	222	873
Tom H. Gregg	157	470	212	839
Herman Halvarson	171	518	222	911
John B. Howard	185	521	245	951
Daniel L. Kent	169	542	217	928
Neubert B. Morse	185	551	247	983
Robert G. Watt	178	558	235	971
Clarke L. Wilcox	181	516	233	930
Myron F. Williams	177	554	239	970
Scattering	0	1	2	3
Blanks	1210	6447	1798	9455

A true record.

Attest: JOHN M. SMITH, Town Clerk.

PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARIES, APRIL 25, 1944

In accordance with the warrant, the voters met at their respective polling places on Tuesday, April 25, 1944, at four o'clock P. M.

The number of ballots cast was as follows:

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Republican	15	29	14	58
Democratic	1	9	0	10
Total	16	38	14	68

The polls were closed at eight o'clock P. M.

A true record.
Attest: JOHN M. SMITH, Town Clerk.

STATE PRIMARIES, JULY 11, 1944

In accordance with the warrant, the voters of the town met at their respective polling places on Tuesday, July 11, 1944, at one o'clock P.M.

The number of ballots cast was as follows:

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Republican	91	445	183	719
Democratic	1	47	3	51
Totals	92	492	186	770

The polls were closed at eight o'clock P. M.

A true record.
Attest: JOHN M. SMITH, Town Clerk.

RECOUNT, JULY 29, 1944

Petitions having been filed for a recount of the ballots cast in the three precincts of Easton at the State Primaries, for the office of Candidate (Republican) for Representative in the General Court for the Second Bristol Representative District, the recount was held by the Registrars of Voters at the Town Clerk's Office on Saturday, July 29, 1944, at two o'clock P. M.

The result was as follows:

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
William P. McDermott, Mansfield	14	29	16	59
Percy L. Hinds of Norton	0	1	0	1
Albert F. Porter of Raynham	5	9	23	37
John D. Prescott of Mansfield	12	16	24	52
Vinton I. Reynolds of Norton	5	9	6	20
Albert E. Wood of Easton	54	375	112	541
Blanks	1	6	2	9

The count was unchanged, with the exception of three votes gained from blanks in Precinct Two for Albert E. Wood. A true record.

Attest: JOHN M. SMITH, Clerk of the Registrars of Voters.

STATE AND NATIONAL ELECTION, NOVEMBER 7, 1944

Pursuant to the warrant, the voters of the town met at their respective polling places on Tuesday, November 7, 1944.

The polls were opened at nine o'clock A. M., and closed at eight o'clock P. M.

The number of ballots cast was as follows:

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Regular Ballots	391	1533	609	2533
Absent Voters' Ballots	4	43	17	64
State War Ballots, registered voters	10	55	10	75
State War Ballots, not registerd voters	9	28	17	54
Federal War Ballots	0	0	1	1
Total	414	1659	654	2727

The result of the election was as follows:

ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Dewey and Bricker (Rep.)	327	1093	524	1944
Roosevelt and Truman (Dem.)	79	525	123	727
Teichert and Albaugh (Soc.-Lab.)	0	2	0	2
Watson and Johnson (Prohib.)	0	3	0	3
Blanks	8	36	7	51

GOVERNOR

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Horace T. Cahill (Rep.)	306	977	483	1766
Maurice J. Tobin (Dem.)	97	638	164	899
Henning A. Blomen (Soc.-Lab.)	0	2	0	2
Guy S. Williams (Prohib.)	1	5	1	7
Blanks	10	37	6	53

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Robert F. Bradford (Rep.)	330	1052	525	1907
John B. Carr (Dem.)	64	537	105	706
Alfred Erickson (Prohib.)	2	8	2	12
George Leo McGlynn (Soc.-Lab.)	1	4	0	5
Blanks	17	58	22	97

SECRETARY

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Frederic W. Cook (Rep.)	353	1129	561	2043
Margaret M. O'Riordan (Dem.)	41	459	70	570
Horace I. Hillis (Soc.-Lab.)	1	3	0	4
Blanks	19	68	23	110

TREASURER

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Fred J. Burrell (Rep.)	324	954	518	1796
John E. Hurley (Dem.)	73	615	115	803
Herbert Crabtree (Soc.-Lab.)	1	4	0	5
Earle L. Smith (Prohib.)	0	9	1	10
Blanks	16	77	20	113

AUDITOR

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Thomas J. Buckley (Dem.)	75	603	114	792
Frank A. Goodwin (Rep.)	315	963	517	1795
Gote Elvel Palmquist (Soc.-Lab.)	0	7	1	8
Charles E. Vaughan (Prohib.)	2	8	7	17
Blanks	22	78	15	113

ATTORNEY GENERAL

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Clarence A. Barnes (Rep.)	335	1065	536	1936
Francis E. Kelly (Dem.)	62	484	99	645
Fred E. Oelcher (Soc.-Lab.)	0	4	0	4
Howard B. Rand (Prohib.)	0	6	1	7
Blanks	17	100	18	135

SENATOR IN CONGRESS (To fill vacancy)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
John H. Corcoran (Dem.)	48	384	69	501
Leverett Saltonstall (Rep.)	352	1206	565	2123
Bernard G. Kelly (Soc.-Lab.)	1	3	1	5
E. Talmadge Root (Prohib.)	0	2	1	3
Blanks	13	64	18	95

CONGRESSMAN, 14th DISTRICT

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Joseph Wm. Martin, Jr. (Rep.)	361	1200	551	2112
Edmond P. Talbot (Dem.)	40	390	88	518
Blanks	13	69	15	97

COUNCILLOR, FIRST DISTRICT

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Joseph P. Clark, Jr. (Dem.)	56	491	76	623
Roger Keith (Rep.)	334	1057	556	1947
Blanks	24	111	22	157

SENATOR, 1st BRISTOL DISTRICT

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Willard A. Ormsbee (Rep.)	355	1189	560	2104
Christopher Brophy	1	0	0	1
Joseph W. Linehan	0	2	0	2
Blanks	58	468	94	620

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT
(2nd Bristol District)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Clifford C. Hubbard (Dem.)	74	386	106	566
Albert E. Wood (Rep.)	310	1190	513	2013
William P. McDermott	2	0	0	2
Denis C. Brophy	1	0	0	1
Blanks	27	83	35	145

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, BRISTOL COUNTY (Two)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
John Almeida, Jr. (Dem.)	54	419	73	546
Arthur W. Bradbury (Rep.)	300	925	481	1706
Leo H. Coughlin (Dem.)	54	486	94	634
George F. Dean (Rep.)	231	663	376	1270
Blanks	189	825	284	1298

SHERIFF, BRISTOL COUNTY

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Patrick H. Dupuis (Rep.)	329	1022	519	1870
Richard O'Connor (Dem.)	61	499	94	654
Blanks	24	138	41	203

QUESTION NO. 1

(Concise summary of proposed amendments, etc.)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes	197	681	286	1164
No	29	126	48	203
Blanks	188	852	320	1360

QUESTION NO. 2

(Change in Pardon Power of Governor, etc.)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes	162	527	251	940
No	71	309	118	498
Blanks	181	823	285	1289

QUESTION NO. 3

(Annual Sessions of Legislature)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes	111	422	206	739
No	141	495	180	816
Blanks	162	742	268	1172

QUESTION NO. 4

(Absent Voting by Sick, etc.)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes	202	761	314	1277
No	42	126	49	217
Blanks	170	772	291	1233

QUESTION NO. 5

(Beano Games, etc.)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes	159	612	227	998
No	75	260	121	456
Blanks	180	787	306	1273

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Question 1. (Full License)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes	244	956	380	1580
No	99	393	177	669
Blanks	71	310	97	478

Question 2. (Wines and Malt Beverages)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes	242	982	378	1602
No	90	342	163	596
Blanks	82	335	112	529

Question 3. (Package License)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes	245	1023	399	1667
No	89	320	153	562
Blanks	80	316	102	498

A true record.
Attest: JOHN. M. SMITH, Town Clerk.

November 17, 1944.

This is to certify that the number of ballots cast in the Towns of Mansfield, Norton, Easton and Raynham, (this being the Second Bristol Representative District) on the seventh day of November, A. D. 1944, for one Representative in General Court was as follows:

CLIFFORD C. HUBBARD, NORTON (D)

In Mansfield	Ten Hundred Twenty-eight	1028
In Easton	Five Hundred Sixty-six	566

In Norton	Six Hundred Sixty-one	661
In Raynham	Two Hundred Fifty-five	255
Total	Two Thousand Five Hundred Ten	2510

ALBERT E. WOOD, EASTON (R)

In Mansfield	Seventeen Hundred Sixty-one	1761
In Easton	Two Thousand and Thirteen	2013
In Norton	Six Hundred Ninety-nine	699
In Raynham	Five Hundred Seventy-three	573
Total	Five Thousand Forty-six	5046

BLANKS

In Mansfield	Three Hundred Seventy-two	372
In Easton	One Hundred Forty-five	145
In Norton	One Hundred Four	104
In Raynham	One Hundred Eighteen	118
Total	Seven Hundred Thirty-nine	739

DENIS C. BROPHY

In Easton	One	1

WILLIAM P. McDERMOTT

In Easton	Two	2

HARRISON A. MORSE, Clerk of Mansfield,
GEORGE E. SMITH, Clerk of Norton,
JOHN M. SMITH, Clerk of Easton
LILLIE B. MERRILL, Clerk of Raynham.

A true copy.
Attest: JOHN M. SMITH, Town Clerk.

RECOUNT, DECEMBER 9, 1944

Petitions having been filed in accordance with law, a recount of the ballots cast for the office of Attorney-General at the election of November 7, 1944, was held at the Town Clerk's Office on Saturday, December 9, 1944, at 1:30 P. M.

The result was as follows:

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Clarence A. Barnes (Rep.)	335	1065	536	1936
Francis E. Kelly (Dem.)	62	483	99	644
Fred E. Oelcher (Soc.-Labor)	0	5	0	5
Howard B. Rand (Prohib.)	0	5	1	6
Blanks	17	101	18	136

Recorded by: JOHN M. SMITH,

Town Clerk and Clerk of
the Board of Registrars of Voters.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN EASTON, 1944

JANUARY

Date	Name of Child	Parents' Names (Maiden name of mother)
1	John Anthony Sullivan	Philip J. and Dorothy G. Jermolovich
5	Sydney Edward Elliott	Sydney E. and Mary E. Tracey
8	William Perley Keach	John A. and Jennie E. Riis
11	Judith Ann Chapman	Lewis E. W. and Millicent McLeod
11	Susan Margaret Semino	Herbert J. and Frances E. Travers
11	Ernest Alfred Ma Dan	Charles E. and Bertha L. Morse
11	Carolyn Vieira	John P. and Cecelia L. Santos
20	Gordon Wayne Bassett	Gordon W. and Rosalie C. Silva
20	Kathryn Elizabeth Langley	Raphael H. and Frances A. Watson
22	Jane Freitas	John J. and Marion L. Treptow
22	Gary Robert Sullivan	James C. and Irene L. Robert
25	Dorothy Anne Dorn	William E. and Florence Marchant
27	Linell Carolyn Thompson	Walter E. and Mildred C. Palleson
28	John Jacob Tingley	Lawrence E. and Eliz. J. Grant
28	Patricia Ann Iwaskiewicz	Michael L. and Nellie M. Chippen

FEBRUARY

1	Diane Ruth Hackett	Chester I. and Ruth N. Banks
2	Christine Ruth Carlson	Roland W. and Ruth I. Hanson
7	Kathleen Ann Jenks	Fred E. and Myra J. Packard
8	Claire Ellen Hollis	Charles H. and Meredith Walker
9	John Ernest Sundell	Carl E. and Greta C. Erickson
12	———— Baxter	Henry J. and Mary J. Reardon
13	Janet Marion Brogren	Ralph E. and Elizabeth L. Buck
14	John Weston Fullerton	Warren E. and Mabel L. Milan
15	Vincent Joseph Shipalowski	Vincent M. and Irene B. Santos
16	Brenda Marie Nagle	Joseph and Hazel Benson
16	Robert Ernest Berglund	Herbert S. and Katherine V. MacPherson

MARCH

3	Barbara Ann Thomas	Edward H. and Marion L. Alger
6	Paul Downey	John and Doris Twomey
16	Russel Arno Anderson	Harold A. and Ellen Norrman
18	Judith Ann Keating	Wolsey A. and Gladys R. Stone
19	Martha Anne Baldwin	Victor and Frances A. Hunt
21	Lawrence Joseph Moran	James L. and Harriet L. Queeney
22	Edward Albert Cram, Jr.	Edward A. and Anne E. Maver
24	Richard Oliver Larson	Carl E. and Astrid I. Nyquist
27	Carol Anne St. Aubin	Armand M. and Marion L. Horton
27	Rosemarie Wilbur	Charles E. and Bronie F. Kibart
28	John Frederick Amorim	Ramiro M. and Lena M. Correia

APRIL

Date	Name of Child	Parents' Names (Maiden name of mother)
4	Kathleen Janet Hanson	George E. and Doris M. Crossman
9	Richard Martin Johnson	Lester M. and Eleanor M. Cobb
15	Edward Frank Randall	William D. and Ruth L. Keith
16	Barbara Ann Howard	Glendon and Gertrude Reynolds
16	Sheila Ann Heath	Arthur O. and Frances Lahey
21	Nancy Gathry Hall	Everett W. and Gathry L. Haglund

MAY

1	Kathryn Barbara Doherty	Edward J. and Helen L. Roche
5	Mary Abbott Shepard	John W. and Katherine Abbott
7	Frank Hedley Cuzner	Frank C. and Genevieve M. Farrin
8	Donna Marie Silva	Anthony and Hilda L. Vierra
9	Madeline Elaine Marshall	George K. and Blanche A. Bryant
13	Joseph John Sylvester	Joseph A. and Dorothy A. Godsoe
21	Cynthia Louise Sault	Leon E. and Cynthia L. Vosmus
21	Mary Ann Sperandio	Peter J. and Anna McCarthy
29	Susan Ruth Hatchfield	Robert W. and Shirley M. Burgess

JUNE

3	Sandra Ann Hicks	Burton G. and Eloise M. Quinn
7	Hazel Louis Clark	Carlton E. and Amy E. Tonner
9	Norma Edith Cogswell	Vincent N. and Elizabeth Waite
11	Phyllis Ethel Berry	George E. and Eleanor A. Spellacy
12	Claire Elissa Monroe	Merle L. and Dorothy V. Brown
15	Bonnie Anne Abreu	Louis F. and Barbara A. Cole
19	Beverly Arlene Tufts	Kenneth N. and Marion A. Williams
20	Anne Nelson	Harry E. and Mary Scanlon
21	Judith Elaine Hanson	George A. and Alice V. Anderson
22	Judith Christina Greene	Albert R. and Lillyan J. Fonander
23	William Edward Clapp	William E. and Lillian G. Alger
26	June Carol Eddy	Sumner L. and Barbara Walker
26	Gerald Ernest Barter	Frederick and Edna Morse
28	Lewis William Davison	Lewis W. and Virginia W. Rollins
30	Kenneth William Scully	Benedict W. and Mary C. Lauzon

JULY

3	Arlene Hazel Stoddard	Donald M. and Wilma V. Thibos
10	Roger Earle Leonard	Roger E. and Eleanor M. Hackwell
25	Audrey Ann Emerson	Walter H. and Evelyn R. Dednah

AUGUST

Date	Name of Child	Parents' Names (Maiden name of mother)
1	John Francis Brady	Christopher J. and Muriel A. Dibblee
9	Susan Keene Nutter	Edmund W. and Dorothy H. Hilmer
13	Michele Annarose Del Colliano	Michael R. and Doris Benecchi
15	Robert Francis Morrison	Robert C. and Frances E. Clarke
16	John Fernandes Graca	John F. and Mary Perry
17	James Edward McNeill	John T. and Arlene E. Gibbs
19	George Warren Randall	George L., Jr., and Barbara F. Willis
20	Patricia Anne McLain	George H. and Irene T. LeRoy
20	Ruth Levering Williamson	John and Mary E. Levering
21	Paul Fournier	Michael and Rose A. Bergeron
21	Joseph Fournier	Michael and Rose Bergeron
29	Sharon Elaine Baird	George W. H. and Mildred L. Gay
31	Harold Kenneth Holmes	Harold K. and Louise E. Mahoney

SEPTEMBER

6	Debra Elaine Butts	Bruce D. and Lolita J. Blood
12	Diane Hatchfield	Richard J. and Irene E. Tait
26	Nancy Ames Thompson	Peter S. and Rebecca Ames

OCTOBER

1	David Wayne Jones	Clayton W. and Florence L. Tillson
1	Joanne Travers	Manuel P. and Lucina D. Salgado
10	Geoffrey William Bassett	William G. and Tufelia Mazukina
15	Barbara Ellen Melendy	George E. and Virginia Packard
18	John Gilbert Nelson	Herman G. and Wahlborg E. Johnson
25	James William Pickett	Frederick I. and Mildred D. Nihan
28	Sandra Birnie	John M. and Irma M. Beal
30	Michael Bruce Wolak	Walter J. and Muriel E. Geddes
31	Judith Elaine Silva Azevedo	John S. and Mildred Holmes

NOVEMBER

3	William E. Billings	Robert W. and Marjorie L. Cooper
4	John Raleigh Heilman	John R. and Eleanor C. Lundgren
4	Susan Lee Silvia	Edward A. and Shirley F. Mann
5	Susan Irene Dinsmore	Elisha A. and Ethel S. Belcher

NOVEMBER (Continued)

Date	Name of Child	Parents' Names (Maiden name of mother)
5	Richard John Johnson	Vincent L. and Ada V. Swanson
11	William Lawrence Crossman	Sidney C., Jr., and Betty L. Hanson
14	Linda Jean Benefield	Douglas V. and Lorena A. Peters
22	Geraldine Elsie Caney	George M. and Harriett Taylor
23	Gail Sawyer	George E. and Maud E. Corbett

DECEMBER

Date	Name of Child	Parents' Names (Maiden name of mother)
6	Ann Lindley Thomas	Harold C. and Ruth P. Donohue
8	Stephen Clifford May	Arthur H. and Ines I. Phillips
11	Maureen Elizabeth Craig	Donald F. and Margaret A. Downey
18	Carol Ruth Johnson	Harold F. and Marguerite H. Cleverly
23	Rosemary Edith Santos	Manuel J. and Lorraine M. Garicia
26	Stillborn	

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN EASTON, 1944

January 11. Frank Elmer Snyder of Easton and Virginia Olive Morley of Franklin.

Janury 20. Aubrey Dwight Brown of Brockton and Muriel Marguerite Hamilton of Easton.

Janury 29. Robert Roy Case of Easton and Mary Kathryn McSweeney of Stoughton.

February 22. Manuel John Santos and Lorraine Mildred Garcia, both of Easton.

February 27. James C. Knights of Randolph and Anna Ruth Shanks of Baltimore, Md.

March 8. Elton Alfred Pearson of Easton and Alfhild Elizabeth Johnson of Attleboro.

March 9. Clarence Joseph White and Grace Maude Treleaven, both of Easton.

March 11. Alfred Alan Drew of Easton and Eleanor Harriet Cox of Sharon.

March 17. John Salvatore Miricapillo of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Laura Silvia of Easton.

March 20. George Washington Stone and Nonie Catherine Coelho, both of Easton.

April 2. Edward Freeman Case of Falmouth and Ruth Lillian Holster of Easton.

April 30. George Martin Caney of Easton and Harriet Bradbury Taylor of Brockton.

May 12. Walter John Stepanski of Easton and Dorothy Sylvester of Stoughton.

May 19. Frederick Perry Noyes of Easton and Shirley Claire Parmenter of Brockton.

May 27. Prentiss Walker Jordan of Somerville and Angelina Theresa DiLillo of Brockton.

June 3. Samuel Edward Wright, Jr., of Easton and Emily Theresa Barboza of Norton.

June 3. Joseph Andrade of Easton and Mary Rocha of Stoughton.

June 10. John William Marshall of Easton and Getrude Alice Wade of Stoughton.

June 13. Charles Robert Swanson of Providence, R. I., and Marjorie Eunice Wilkinson of Easton.

June 17. William Holmes Martin of Sharon and Marin Lois Matimore of Old Greenwich, Conn.

June 17. Roy Iver Bernard Hanson of Brockton and Doris May Hale of Easton.

June 18. Frederick Stanley Rego of Easton and Yvonne Regina Marquis of Salem.

June 24. Fred Benjamin Demings of Easton and Philomena Domenica Parente of West Warwick, R. I.

July 1. Carl Hilding Benson of Easton and Olive Helen Stephenson of Brockton.

July 3. John Henry McEntee and Mary Louise O'Neil, both of Easton.

July 4. Warren Harding Drew and Mary Alice Taylor, both of Easton.

July 9. Richard David Millet of Easton and Shirley Louise Howland of Brockton.

July 15. John August Newquist of Brockton and Agda Josephine Johanson of Boston.

August 13. Russell Leonard Olson of Brockton and Ernestine Isabelle Raby of Easton.

August 13. Henry Edwin Ottoson of Easton and Marion Janet Floyd of Foxboro.

August 20. William Everett Van Wormer of Attleboro and Mildred Emelia Peterson of Easton.

August 20. Donald Robert Currier of Brockton and Helen Florence Holmes of Easton.

August 25. Robert Earl Smith, Jr., of Norton and Roberta Marjorie Raynard of Easton.

September 2. Aubrey Blake Fenwick of Easton and Agnes Frances Doherty of Medford.

September 29. Lester Valfrid Broman of Easton and Ruth Asta Lindh of Brockton.

September 30. Herbert Barker Norcross of Brockton and Aimee Isabel Terry of Easton.

October 9. Roy Lincoln Howard, Jr., and Alice Francis DeCouto, both of Easton.

October 11. Kenneth Edward Poirier of Mansfield and Elna Charlotte Peterson of Easton.

October 21. William Smith Wilson of Wellesley and Phyllis Marie Donohue of Easton.

October 23. Richard Johnson Rollins and Carol Cecelia Kane, both of Easton.

October 28. John Edwin Peterson of Raynham and Florence Ursula Hebert of Brockton.

November 2. Norman Albert Melendy of West Bridgewater and Ruth Eleanor Forbes of Easton.

November 10. Arthur Gore Hicks and Rena Lee Bryant, both of Easton.

November 19. Frank Kimpton Pittsley of Middleboro and Florence Edna Brown of Brockton.

November 23. Frederic Ernest Ricker and Una Elena Parker, both of Easton.

November 25. Evald Walfred Carlson and Dorothy Irene Anderson, both of Easton.

December 9. William Alexander Regan of Easton and Roberta Jane Victor of Richmond, Calif.

December 19. Eugene Wilbur Rudolph of Whitman and Louise Theresa Brophy of Easton.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN EASTON, 1944

Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
JANUARY					
6	William F. Barrows	80	0	9	Mesenteric Thrombosis
19	Gunnar Hilmer	32	11	0	Pulmonary Tuberculosis
20	Alice B. Mitchell	86	0	0	Cerebral Hemorrhage
24	Elsie Jacobson	68	6	25	Coronary Thrombosis
25	Patrick F. Long	78	10	15	Cerebral Hemorrhage
26	Martha E. Carver	75	0	0	Chronic Myocarditis
FEBRUARY					
4	David J. O'Connell	77	0	0	Heart Disease
8	Alfonso F. Gooch	86	9	22	Coronary Thrombosis
14	Millidean Corkum	64	3	23	Carcinoma of Colon
16	Emilie Murphy	72	11	23	Coronary Disease
20	Daniel C. Mitrano	73	0	0	Terminal Pneumonia
21	———— Baxter			9	Malnutrition
22	Charles Lawson	98	7	24	Chronic Myocarditis
24	Mary B. Murray	67	2	20	Hypostatic Pneumonia
29	Anna E. Waal	53	11	4	Cerebral Hemorrhage
MARCH					
15	Carl L. Johnson	78	4	24	Cardiac Asthma
18	Mary Erdrich	62	5	7	Hypertensive Heart Disease
19	Joseph Perdigao	17	8	27	Pulmonary Tuberculosis
20	Charles Gustafson	77	7	19	Suffocation from Fire
APRIL					
8	Alexander Murray	65	3	27	Suicide by Hanging
9	Richard H. Johnson	5	Hrs.		Cerebral Hemorrhage
10	Julia A. Morse	81	11	5	Acute Myocarditis
13	Alice J. Merrett	78	11	8	Chronis Myocarditis
19	Thomas A. O'Connor	61	6	0	Pulmano-Cardiac Syndrome
27	Laura Howes	73	5	18	Acute Myocarditis
MAY					
4	Thomas Litchfield	94	10	10	Cardiac Decompensation
4	Olaf Conrad Carlson	58	1		Acute Pancreatitis
10	Jesse C. Wilson	79	0	5	Myocarditis
19	Frank S. Lamson	64			Diabetic Coma
25	Catherine M. Doherty	71	0	3	Myocarditis-Arterio Sclerosis
JUNE					
1	William A. Fenwick	72	11	21	Cerebral Hemorrhage
14	Margaret O. O'Connell	85	10	22	Chronic Myocarditis
30	John Butts	68	1	12	Carcinoma of Pancreas

Date	**Name**	**Y**	**M**	**D**	**Cause of Death**
JULY					
3	Arthur I. Anderson	48	10	2	Coronary Occlusion
7	William Herman	71	5	23	Cardiac Decompensation
16	Emelia Sangren	80	3	8	Chronic Myocarditis
19	Marie A. Lindquist	89	11	6	Cardiac Decompensation
24	Le Roy J. Leach	63	0	18	Coronary Thrombosis
28	John A. Beaton	74			Massive Hemorrhage- Duodenal Ulcer
AUGUST					
4	Alice M. Nickerson	71	3	17	Coronary Thrombosis
22	Joseph Fournier			1	Prematurity
22	Paul Fournier			1	Prematurity
23	Penelope Tulloch	83	4	6	Carcinoma of Pancreas
SEPTEMBER					
2	Ruth Lunn	44	11	14	Epelepsy-Acute Gastritis
3	Henry McNayr	90	5	20	Cardias Failure
4	Francis D. Galvin	31	9	9	Carcinoma of Sigmond
OCTOBER					
6	Roderick Duchesneau	64	10	5	Cerebral Hemorrhage
7	Mary F. Conley	67	4	18	Carcinoma of Stomach
8	Fred E. Barter	78	1	20	Chronic Myocarditis
10	Jennie Pearson	72	1	25	Coronary Thrombosis
18	Rita Bradley	26			Pulmonary Tuberculosis
19	August B. Johnson	74	10	24	Hypertensive Heart Disease
20	Frank William Randall	65	8	26	Carcinoma of Stomach
28	Myra Field	70	6	13	Carcinoma of Lungs
30	Mabel Southworth	66	1	15	Congestive Heart Failure
NOVEMBER					
3	Mary E. Welch	83			Cerebral Hemorrhage
14	John B. Abreu	29	5		Pulmonary Tuberculosis
19	Manuel M. Lewis	63	10	10	Chronic Myocarditis
20	Enos D. Carver	75	7	9	Cardiac Failure
DECEMBER					
3	Isabella A. Miller	73	11	19	Arterio Sclerosis
8	Anna E. Canan	57			Carcinoma
10	Minnie B. Barker	67	1	19	Chronic Bronchitis
13	Henry Rego	56	11	1	Carcinoma
18	Jennie Peltonen	42			Biliary Cirrhosis of Liver
26	Herbert D. Lemaire	60	1	25	Coronary Thrombosis

LICENSES, 1944

(Paid to Town Treasurer)

Wines and Beer

(Fee $175.00)

George W. Swanson

Liquor (Full License)

(Fee $400.00)

Cappy's, Inc.
James R. Conlon
The Four Hundred
John J. Spillane

Package Goods

(Fee $200.00)

Frank J. Mitrano
Barney Wasserman

Special Liquor Permits

Easton Rod and Gun Glub (2)	$2.00
Mrs. Elmer I. G. Larson (1)	$1.00

Victuallers' Licenses

(Fee $5.00)

James R. Conlon
Albion E. Fuller
O'Connor's News Store
Ernest W. Corcoran
John J. Spillane
Robert H. McAfee
Sophia M. Eddy
The Four Hundred
George W. Swanson
Frank E. Hart
Nathaniel M. Gordon
Esther Faircloth
Cappy's, Inc.
Constance McKeon
Fred Petti and Harold Thornton

Junk License

(Fee $20.00)

William Familant

Sunday License

(Fee $5.00)

Albion E. Fuller
David Pickett
Hannah Pomeroy
Charlotte Kimball
Edgar H. Rohdin

Milk Licenses, Board of Health

41 Licenses @ 50c, $20.50

Oleomargarine Licenses, Board of Health

8 Licenses @ 50c, $4.00

Pasteurization Licenses, Board of Health

(Fee $10.00)

Charles E. Wilbur
Charles J. Slavin

Non-Alcoholic Beverage License, Board of Health

(Fee $20.00)

Simpson Spring Co.

Auctioneer's License

(Fee $2.00)

Arthur W. Bailey

Gasoline Licenses

(Fee $1.00)

Meadow Lea Cranberry Co.
Joseph Dardano

Slaughtering License

(Fee $25.00)

Joseph H. Wilbur

Sunday Entertainment License

(Fee $1.00)

Harold Darling (1)
John Uston (20)

State Pedler's Licenses

(Fee $11.00)

Received from Commonwealth of Massachusetts, $44.00

Automobile Dealer's Licenses

(Fee $10.00)

Earle's Motor Sales
Easton Motor Sales
Paul Mitrano
Clifton Badeau

Gasoline License Registration

(Fee 50c)

Carl Dahl
Easton Motor Sales
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.
David Pickett
John J. Conlon
Socony-Vacuum Oil Co.
Ladd's Service Station
Rey C. Oman
Anthony Garcia
Earle's Motor Sales
Harry J. D. Sundell
Hazel L. Frasier
Clifton Badeau
Wallace B. Caswell
Edgar H. Rohdin
Swift Bros.
George E. Field
Charlotte Kimball
Frank E. Blake
Main Street Garage

HUNTING, FISHING, TRAPPING LICENSES, 1944

102	Resident Citizen Fishing @ $2.00	$204.00
90	Resident Citizen Hunting @ $2.00	180.00
79	Resident Citizen Sporting @ $3.25	256.75
27	Resident Citizen Minor and Female Fishing @ $1.25	33.75
7	Resident Citizen Minor Trapping @ $2.25	15.75
11	Resident Citizen Trapping @$5.25	57.75
25	Resident Citizen Sporting* @ $.00	.00
14	Resident Military Service** @ $.00	.00
1	Duplicate License @ $.50	.50
1	Non Resident Fishing @ $1.50	1.50
357	Total	$750.00

*(Free to residents over 70 years of age. No fees allowed.)

**(Free to residents in military service. No fees allowed)

Fees on 317 Licenses to Town Treasurer @ $.25	79.25
Paid Com. of Mass., Div. of Fisheries and Game	$670.75

The total number of licenses issued for each of the past five years was as follows: 1940, 350; 1941, 341; 1942, 357; 1943, 320; 1944, 357.

JOHN M. SMITH,
Town Clerk.

DOG LICENSES

Issued December 1, 1943 to December 1, 1944

Individual License	587
Kennel License	1
Kennel License	1
	589

The above 589 licenses were as follows:

1 Kennel @ $50.00	$50.00
1 Kennel @ $10.00	10.00
377 Males @ $2.00	754.00
70 Females @ $5.00	350.00
140 Female Spayed @ $2.00	280.00
589 Total	$1444.00
Less fees to Town Treasury, 589 @ 20c	117.80
Paid to Treasurer of Bristol County	$1326.20

DOGS

For the benefit of the owners and keepers of dogs, the following extract of the General Laws is submitted:

General Laws, Chapter 140

Section 137—Licenses and Tags. The owner or keeper of a dog which is three months old or over shall annually, on or before March thirty-first, cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed for one year from April first following, if the dog is kept in Boston in the office of the police commissioner, or if kept in any other town in the office of the clerk thereof. The license shall be in a form prescribed by the director, upon a blank to be furnished, except in the County of Suffolk, by the county in which the town is located, and shall be subject to the conditions expressed therein that the dog which is the subject of the license shall be controlled and restrained from killing, chasing or harassing live stock or fowls. The owner or keeper of a licensed dog shall cause it to wear around its neck or body a collar or harness of leather or other suitable material, to which shall be securely attached a tag in a form prescribed by the director, and upon which shall appear the license number, the name of the town issuing such license and the year of issue. Such tags shall be furnished in the same manner as the license blanks, and if any such tag shall be lost the owner or keeper of such dog shall forthwith secure a substitute tag from the town clerk, at a cost of ten cents which shall be retained by the clerk, unless otherwise provided by law. Any person may bring or cause to be brought from another state or county any dog licensed under the laws thereof and keep such dogs in this commonwealth for a period not exceeding thirty days without licensing it hereunder, and during such period the foregoing provisions of this section shall not apply to such dog.

Section 138—Licenses. A person who after April first in any year becomes the owner or keeper of a dog which is not duly licensed, and the owner or keeper of a dog when it becomes three months old after March thirty-first in any year, shall cause it to be registered, numbered, described, licensed, collared or harnessed and tagged as required by section one hundred and thirty-seven. A person who after April first in any year becomes the owner or keeper of a dog which is duly licensed in the town where kept shall forthwith give notice in writing to the clerk of such town, or if kept in Boston to the police commissioner, that he has become such owner or keeper, and said clerk or said police commissioner, as the case may be, shall change the record of such license to show the name and address of the new owner or keeper.

JOHN M. SMITH,

Town Clerk.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

For the Year 1944

Organization

JOHN M. SMITH, Clerk
JOHN J. GALVIN
SIGFRED V. LEDIN
LUTHER E. SWIFT

Eight meetings for registration were held during the year. Total names added, four hundred twenty-two.

After the close of registration on October 18, 1944, the number of registered voters was 3127. After registration closed, the voting lists were corrected and new lists were printed. Several meetings were held for the certification of nomination papers.

Four Assistant Registrars were appointed as last year and the street list and the list of dog owners were compiled by these Assistant Registrars.

Two recounts were held and much work was done on soldiers' ballot applications.

JOHN J. GALVIN,
SIGFRED V. LEDIN,
LUTHER E. SWIFT,
JOHN M. SMITH,

Registrars of Voters.

REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS

To the Citizens of Easton:

We submit the following report of the financial condition of the Town of Easton as assessed January 1, 1944:

Value of Real Estate	$4,558,040.00
Value of Personal Estate	491,300.00
	$5,049,340.00

Valuse of Automobiles assessed	$202,200.00
Number of Automobiles assessed	1,773
Rate of Excise Tax per thousand of valuation	$35.85
Number of corporations and persons assessed	1,584
Rate of Property Tax per thousand of valuation	$27.00
Number of males assessed	1,906
Rate of Poll Tax	$2.00
Number of dwelling houses assessed	1,436
Number of acres of land assessed	16,202.13
Number of horses assessed	52
Number of cows assessed	440
Number of neat cattle other than cows assessed	133
Number of swine assessed	39
Number of fowl assessed	26,193
Number of other animals assessed	165

Valuation of the Districts:

North Easton Village District	$2,399,930.00
South Easton and Eastondale District	1,202,895.00
Unionville District	516,960.00
Easton Center District	113,790.00

Amount appropriated at the Annual Town Meeting in March, 1944	$ 3,000.00

Amount raised and appropriated at the Annual Town Meeting in March, 1944, including the Overlay		226,887.99
State Tax		10,164.00
State Parks Tax		210.16
State Audit of Municipal Accounts		697.63
School Bonds and Interest		11,852.50
County Tax		9,158.38
Underestimate on 1943 County Tax		992.14
County Hospital Tax		3,860.21
		$263,823.01
Estimated Receipts	$ 95,669.32	
Available Funds:		
Appropriated at Town Meeting	3,000.00	
Amount used by Assessors from Excess and Deficiency Account to reduce the Tax Levy	25,000.00	
Overestimate—State Parks	6.31	
		123,675.63
Total amount raised by taxation on Polls and Property		$140,147.38

The Tax Rate of $27.00 per thousand of valuation in 1944 was the same as in 1943.

There was a gain of $17,800.00 in Real Estate and a loss of $28,470.00 in Personal Property, making a net loss of $10,670.00 in assessable property in 1944 as compared to 1943.

The Motor Vehicle valuation decreased $68,615.00 in 1944.

The amount transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account for the purpose of reducing the tax levy was $25,000.00.

In 1943 the amount transferred from this account for the same purpose was $15,000.00.

There was an increase in the State Tax of $5,764.00; the County was paid $2,428.01 more in 1944 than in 1943; the County Hospital Tax was $1,009.87 less in 1944 than in 1943.

Including the Overlay, $20,937.18 more were raised and appropriated at the Town Meeting in 1944 than the previous year.

The Estimated Receipts amounted to $15,659.60 more than in 1943.

Respectfully,

JOSEPH W. LINEHAN,
KENNETH C. HAYWARD,
MARY E. WADE,
Assessors of Easton.

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

TAXES OF 1942

Dr.

Uncollected balance, January 1, 1944	$3,593.67	
Interest charged	228.92	
Costs charged	48.65	
Tax Taking Interest	.75	
Tax Taking Costs	4.35	
		$3,876.34

Cr.

Collected in 1944	$3,561.57	
Interest collected	228.92	
Costs collected	48.65	
Abatements	22.26	
Tax Taking Interest	.75	
Tax Taking Costs	4.35	
Tax Taking Account	9.84	
		$3,876.34

— ITEMIZED —

	Collected	Abated	Tax Takings	Total
Personal	$ 151.47	$ .00	$ .00	$ 151.47
Real	3,206.24	19.75	8.70	3,234.69
N. Easton	93.37	.00	.00	93.37
S. Easton	13.45	.03	.00	13.48
Unionville	18.70	2.48	1.14	22.32
E. Center	78.34	.00	.00	78.34
Total	$3,561.57	$ 22.26	$ 9.84	$3,593.67

TAXES OF 1943

Dr.

Uncollected balance, January 1, 1944	$18,072.25	
Interest charged	370.16	
Costs charged	116.45	
		$18,558.86

Cr.

Collected in 1944	$16,828.13	
Interest collected	370.16	
Costs collected	116.45	
Abatements	129.28	
Uncollected balance, December 31, 1944	1,114.84	
		$18,558.86

— ITEMIZED —

	Collected	Abated	Uncollected	Total
Excise	$ 148.13	$ 67.84	$ .00	$ 215.97
Poll	16.00	16.00	.00	32.00
Personal	835.81	.00	28.89	864.70
Real	15,236.32	43.20	977.63	16,257.15
N. Easton	152.99	.72	6.51	160.22
S. Easton	138.92	.00	6.43	145.35
Unionville	163.38	1.52	21.80	186.70
E. Center	136.58	.00	73.58	210.16
Total	$16,828.13	$ 129.28	$ 1,114.84	$18,072.25

TAXES OF 1944

Dr.

Personal Property Commitment	$ 14,258.73	
Real Estate Commitment	131,931.26	
Excise Commitments	7,014.88	
Poll Commitments	3,820.00	
Abatement after payment	40.69	
Interest charged	39.29	
Costs charged	147.75	
		$157,252.60

Cr.

Collected in 1944	$139,720.11	
Interest collected	39.29	
Costs collected	147.75	
Abatements	1,647.48	
Abatements refunded	40.69	
Tax Taking Account	231.74	
Uncollected balance, December 31, 1944	15,425.54	
		$157,252.60

— ITEMIZED —

	Collected	Abated	Refunded	Tax Takings	Uncollected	Total
Excise	$6,716.72	$34.53	$10.68	$.00	$263.63	$7,025.56
Poll	2,696.00	908.00	2.00	.00	216.00	3,822.00
Personal	12,398.45	113.41	.00	.00	753.50	13,265.36
Real	109,088.70	500.85	27.00	220.88	13,259.59	123,097.02
N. Easton	5,272.27	29.76	.96	3.54	454.24	5,760.77
S. Easton	1,070.23	4.15	.05	.00	128.85	1,203.28
Unionville	1,719.50	5.18	.00	7.32	180.95	1,912.95
E. Center	758.24	51.60	.00	.00	168.78	978.62
Total	$139,720.11	$1,647.48	$40.69	$231.74	$15,425.54	$157,065.56

JOHN M. SMITH,
Collector of Taxes.

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

RECEIPTS

Balance January 1, 1944	$ 94,387.12
Withholding Tax	11,395.25
Received from Collector of Taxes:	
Town and District Taxes of 1942	3,561.57
Town and District Taxes of 1943	16,828.13
Town and District Taxes of 1944	139,720.11
Interest on Taxes	638.37
Water Liens, South Easton District	34.97
Received from Commonwealth of Massachusetts:	
Income Tax	24,472.00
Corporation Tax	15,881.39
Meal Tax	1,339.84
Public Works, Chapter 90	699.96
Highway Fund, Chapter 569, Acts of 1943	8,135.67
County of Bristol:	
Dog Fund of 1943	841.35
Highway Department, Chapter 90	699.96
Oliver Ames Highway Fund, Income	18,282.50
Oliver Ames Highway Fund, 2nd Income	852.11
Oliver Ames School Fund, Income	14,795.57
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds, Income	413.61
Young Scholarship Fund, Income	76.43
Dog Licenses of 1944	1,337.20
Federal Grant, Old Age Assistance	25,138.95
Federal Grant, Old Age Assistance Administration	840.23
Federal Grant, Aid to Dependent Children	1,340.00
Federal Grant, Aid to Dependent Children Administration	83.93
Road Machinery Fund	218.95
Tax Taking Account:	
Town	944.59
North Easton District	13.03

Tax Possession Account:		
Town	145.90	
South Easton District	.80	
Easton Center District	9.10	
Reserve	126.70	
Sale of Pyper Property	2,006.00	
Departmental Receipts:		
Dog Officer	132.00	
Health	480.12	
Highways	204.60	
Incidentals	2,509.50	
Old Age Assistance	21,894.79	
Aid to Dependent Children	1,211.24	
Public Welfare	1,701.62	
Police	1,034.00	
Schools	2,455.36	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	55.73	
Tax Collector	375.79	
Town Clerk	396.55	
Infirmary	5.00	
Registrars	1.00	
World War #2 Allowance	237.00	
Fire	1.25	
		$417,956.84

EXPENDITURES

Withholding Tax	$ 11,395.25
North Easton District Taxes	5,518.63
South Easton and Eastondale District Taxes	1,222.60
Unionville District Taxes	1,901.58
Easton Center District Taxes	973.16
North Easton District Tax Title	13.03
South Easton and Eastondale, Water Lien	34.97
South Easton and Eastondale, Tax Possession	.80
Easton Center, Tax Possession	9.10
Tax Refunds:	
Town Tax 1944	29.00
Excise Tax 1944	10.68

Paid Commonwealth of Massachusetts:	
State Tax	10,164.00
State Parks and Reservations	210.16
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	697.63
Paid County of Bristol:	
County Tax	9,158.38
Dog Licenses	1,326.20
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	3,860.21
Selectmen's Expense	288.42
Town Office	862.99
Town Accountant's Salary	800.00
Town Accountant's Expense	64.96
Treasurer's Expense	839.18
Collector's Expense	1,345.90
Assessors' Expense	671.51
Law	600.00
Town Clerk's Expense	458.02
Elections	989.00
Registrars' Salaries	225.00
Registrars' Expense	497.35
Town Officers' Salaries	6,853.62
Police	8,912.71
Police Car	1,203.55
Fire	9,409.01
Dog Officer	150.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	441.91
Moth	1,442.77
Tree	1,896.82
Salary of Forest Warden	300.00
Emergency Defense	483.42
Inspection of Animals	100.00
Health	3,601.96
Collection of Garbage	1,598.00
Highways	32,225.34
Highways, Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,099.89
Welfare	4,481.27
Old Age Assistance—Town	33,656.49
Old Age Assistance—Federal	23,765.98
Old Age Assistance Administration—Town	186.34
Old Age Assistance Administration—Federal	703.77

Aid to Dependent Children—Town	1,874.25	
Aid to Dependent Children—Federal	1,666.75	
Aid to Dependent Children Administration—Federal	10.00	
Town Physician	800.00	
Nurses	600.00	
Soldiers' Relief	492.36	
World War #2 Allowance	25.00	
Schools	111,030.01	
School Bonds	9,500.00	
Interest on School Bonds	2,352.50	
Finance Committee Expense	12.25	
Incidentals	19.51	
Memorial Day and Armistice Day	364.31	
Pensions	991.00	
Town Reports	621.20	
Cemeteries	731.84	
Young Scholarship Fund	76.43	
Balance December 31, 1944	99,108.87	
		$417,956.84

JOHN M. SMITH,

Town Treasurer.

TOWN OF EASTON

Financial Statement as of December 31, 1944

LIABILITIES

Outstanding School Bonds of 1929, 4¼%	$37,500.00
Outstanding School Bonds of 1938, 2%	20,000.00
	$57,500.00

ASSETS

Cash in Treasury (General Account)	$99,108.87
Net Surplus	$41,608.87

Uncollected Town and District Taxes

As of December 31, 1944

	Commitment	Uncollected	% Collected
For the year 1943:			
Town	$149,884.09	$ 1,006.52	.9933
District	5,668.75	108.32	.9809
For the year 1944:			
Town	$147,170.26	$ 14,492.72	.9015
District	9,854.61	932.82	.9053

The Town of Easton has eighteen tax titles for $1,356.89.

Estimated income from Ames Trust Funds for 1945, $31,300.00, for use of Schools and Road Department.

JOHN M. SMITH,

Treasurer and Tax Collector.

REPORT OF CEMETERY FUNDS HELD BY TOWN TREASURER

	Principal	Balance Dec. 31, 1943	Interest 1944	With-drawn 1944	Balance Dec. 31, 1944
Daniel M. Dailey Fund	$ 150	$ 150.00	$ 3.77	$ 3.77	$ 150.00
Daniel Belcher Fund	200.00	280.99	7.05	7.05	280.99
Margaret J. Fisher Fund	100.00	120.71	3.03	3.03	120.71
Almira E. Packard Fund	100.00	149.46	3.75	3.75	149.46
Lewis Williams Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Lothrop & Towne Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Cyrus Alger Fund	300.00	400.00	10.06	10.06	400.00
Pine Grove Cemetery Fund	1,480.38	1,480.38	37.23	37.23	1,480.38
E. D. & E. N. Williams Fund	150.00	150.00	3.77	3.77	150.00
Elizabeth F. Drake Fund	200.00	279.41	7.02	7.02	279.41
William Erving Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
S. Olive Drake Fund	243.41	332.34	5.00	5.00	332.34
Robert M. Malloy Lots	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Archie J. McEntee Lots	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Thomas C. McDermott Lots	1,000.00	1,109.08	27.89	5.00	1,131.97
E. L. Lewis Fund	200.00	200.00	5.03	5.03	200.00
Dean, Keith Family Lot	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Reed Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00

JOHN M. SMITH,
Treasurer of Easton.

REPORT OF CEMETERY FUNDS HELD BY SELECTMEN

	Principal	Balance Dec. 31, 1943	Interest 1944	With-drawn 1944	Balance Dec. 31, 1944
Nancy B. Buck Fund	$200.00	$211.18	$5.30	$5.30	$211.18
Josiah Williams Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Howe-Keith-White Fund	200.00	210.00	5.28	5.28	210.00
Seth L. French Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Alonzo Marshall Fund	200.00	200.00	5.03	5.03	200.00

EDGAR W. BALDWIN,
DENIS C. BROPHY,
ALBERT E. WOOD,

Selectmen of Easton.

REPORT OF THE HIRAM P. AND MARY L. DRAKE SPECIAL CEMETERY FUND

Original amount of Fund		$500.00
Balance, North Easton Savings Bank January 1, 1944	632.25	
Interest added in 1944	15.90	
		$648.15
Transferred to Town Treasurer's Account, 1944	$15.90	
Balance, North Easton Savings Bank December 31, 1944	632.25	
		$648.15

REPORT OF THE HIRAM P. AND MARY L. DRAKE GENERAL CEMETERY FUND

Original amount of Fund		$10,685.75
Original sum turned over to the Town of Easton as shown in Executor's account; in North Easton Savings Bank	$10,685.75	
Interest added in 1944	268.80	
		$10,954.55
Transferred to Town Treasurer's Account 1944	$ 268.80	
Balance, North Easton Savings Bank December 31, 1944	10,685.75	
		$10,954.55

EDGAR W. BALDWIN,
DENIS C. BROPHY,
ALBERT E. WOOD,

Selectmen of Easton.

WORLD WAR MEMORIAL FUND

The following is a statement of the condition of the fund as of December 31, 1944:

On Deposit, December 31, 1943	$12,346.80
Credited, Interest, April, 1944	154.33
Credited, Interest, October, 1944	156.26
Balance in North Easton Savings Bank, December 31, 1944	$12,657.39

JOHN M. SMITH,
Town Treasurer.

YOUNG SCHOLARSHIP FUND

On Deposit, December 31, 1943	$3,038.45
Credited, Interest, April, 1944	37.98
Credited, Interest, October, 1944	38.45
	$3,114.88
Withdrawn, 1944	76.43
Balance in North Easton Savings Bank, December 31, 1944	$3,038.45

(The amount withdrawn was paid as a scholarship, as directed by the School Committee.)

JOHN M. SMITH,
Town Treasurer.

SUMMARY OF AMES TRUST FUNDS

The following statement is supplied the Town Treasurer by the office of the Trustees, Messrs. John S. Ames and William A. Parker.

"Following is a summary of the Ames Trust Funds held for the benefit of the Town of Easton as of December 31, 1944, together with an estimate of 1945 income. The estimate for 1945 income is based on the amounts which the various companies are now paying. This estimate does not allow for any deductions which may have to be made before the net income is paid over to the Town of Easton; neither does it take into consideration any extra dividends which might be paid by the various companies."

Funds for the benefit of Easton Highways

	Book Value	Approx. Mkt. Value	Inc. Paid Town 1944	Estimated Income 1945
Original Fund	$367,368.00	$440,378.00	$18,282.50	$16,600.00
Permanent Fund	25,550.00	25,678.00	852.11	800.00

Fund for the benefit of the Easton Schools

	Book Value	Approx. Mkt. Value	Inc. Paid Town 1944	Estimated Income 1945
Original Fund	$313,624.00	$349,817.00	$14,795.57	$13,900.00

JOHN M. SMITH,
Town Treasurer.

OAKES AMES MEMORIAL HALL ASSOCIATION

Treasurer's Report for Year 1944

Balance on hand, January 1, 1944		$ 35.34
Received for Rent of Halls (entertainment, etc.)		92.17
		$127.51
Expenditures:		
Janitor	$46.00	
Coal	17.00	
Water	10.00	
Light	11.95	
Miscellaneous	7.25	
		92.20
Balance on hand, December 31, 1944, Deposited in North Easton Savings Bank		$ 35.31

INSURANCE FUND ACCOUNT

Balance on hand, January 1, 1944		$4,481.13
Interest received from Income on Stocks and Bonds, held for Insurance and Repair Account	$582.00	
Interest on Deposit, North Easton Savings Bank	113.52	
		695.52
		$5,176.65
Expenditures:		
Insurance	$270.66	
Repairs	88.21	
		358.87
Balance on hand, December 31, 1944, Deposited in North Easton Savings Bank		$4,817.78

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN R. FIELD,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF BOARD OF SELECTMEN

To the Citizens of Easton:

It is our honor and privilege to submit the following report.

In 1944, the third year of America's participation in the war, our Nation achieved new heights of power and production.

Our Town, of necessity, was curtailed in material and manpower. Some of our employees, having gone into the armed services and defense industries, and many of our supplies are not available.

The Lions' Club sponsored the temporary Honor Roll which was accepted and dedicated in front of the Rockery facing the Post Office. We now have approximately 550 in the Armed Services in the various theatres of the War.

We sincerely trust some appropriate plan of welcome and appreciation in recognition of their services may be formulated when a victorious peace is declared.

The widening of the corner of Depot and Pine Streets and of Depot and Turnpike Streets has improved the traffic efficiency and eliminated part of the dangerous hazard at the corner of Depot and Turnpike Streets.

The entire amount of land taken on these three corners was a gratuitous gift of Mrs. Ellen Lothrop and Mr. James E. Howard et al. to the Town of Easton. In behalf of the citizens of Easton we desire to express our since appreciation and grateful thanks to the donors for these civic betterments.

We have several postwar projects in view, viz.:—To complete Main Street to the Brockton line, eliminate the "S" curve on Depot Street between Black Brook Farm and the Five Corners, and there are the elimination of several more sharp corners under our consideration.

The detailed reports of the various departments under our supervision now follows.

We wish to thank the heads and employees of these several departments for their splendid co-operation in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

EDGAR W. BALDWIN, Chairman,
DENIS C. BROPHY,
ALBERT E. WOOD.
Selectmen of Easton.

SOLDIERS' RELIEF

To the Citizens of Easton:

The following is a case load and financial accounting for this type of assistance:

1	$ 14.25	
2	9.11	
3	60.00	
4	240.00	
5	120.00	
Expenses	49.00	
Total		$492.36
Appropriation	$1,000.00	
Expended	492.36	
Unexpended balance to Excess and Deficiency	$ 507.64	

WORLD WAR #2 ALLOWANCE

1		$25.00
Appropriation	$1,000.00	
Expended	25.00	
Unexpended balance to Excess and Deficiency	$ 975.00	

Soldiers' Relief Dept.

ALBERT E. WOOD, Agent,
EDGAR W. BALDWIN,
DENIS C. BROPHY.

REPORT OF MATERNAL AND CHILD WELFARE NURSING SERVICE

To the Selectmen of Easton:

We herewith submit the following report of the Maternal and Child Welfare Nursing Service.

The need for nursing service and supervision has continued to grow during the past year.

We have assisted at four home deliveries during the past year, and it means much to these mothers that they be able to obtain the professional care and advice that is so important at this time.

Four very successful Well Baby Conferences were held during 1944. A total of 64 children were examined and any defects noted were referred to the family physician. The number of children which can be seen at each conference is limited, and there is now a waiting list made up in advance of mothers who wish their children seen. Those having no regular check up with a physician, or those having no family doctor are the children we seek to reach. Dr. Clara Waldinger, Pediatrician at the New England Hospital for Women and Children, is the attending physician. Dr. Waldinger comes recommended by the State Department of Public Health. Mrs. Catherine Barker, nutrition worker for the State Department of Health, continues to be available at our conferences for discussions concerning food problems.

Statistical Report

Maternity:

	Cases	Visits
Deliveries		4
Antepartum	40	84
Postpartum	65	305
	105	389

Child Welfare:		
New Born	54	230
Infant	38	277
Preschool	123	369
School	2	5
	217	881
Educational:		
Adult	8	102
Unclassified		40
Totals	330	1412

Respectfully submitted,

CLARABEL A. POWELL, R. N.,
Public Health Nurse.

ELLEN ATWOOD, R. N.,
Staff Nurse.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

To the Selectmen of the Town of Easton:

I submit the following report of the activities of the Street Department for the year 1944.

Our time was occupied during the first three months of the year with snow removal, sanding, etc., and removing road-side growth.

After the usual spring clean-up of streets and drainage systems an additional fifteen inch storm drain was installed on Main Street from Seaver Street easterly to relieve a troublesome drainage condition on Seaver Street.

The portion of South Street from Foundry Street to Poquanticut Avenue which had been widened and rebuilt in 1943, received two treatments of Tarvia. The surfacing of the easterly half of Allen Road was completed by the application of a seal coat of Tarvia.

Prospect Street from Bay Road easterly 4,000 feet was reshaped and surfaced.

The corner of Turnpike and Depot Streets was widened appreciably and regraded and resurfaced. The corner of Pine and Depot Streets was also widened and a drainage system installed.

The foregoing, together with numerous smaller jobs, occupied our small maintenance crew to the extent that the planned program for the retreatment of the older surfaces was sharply curtailed. Approximately 35,000 gallons was used for this work, where about 50,000 gallons had been planned for. In 1945 it will be well to devote more time to this work as it is the only practical way to preserve our investment in surfaced streets.

Under the Chapter 90 Maintenance program about two miles of Route 106 on Foundry Street between the Five Corners and Algers Corner was resurfaced by a "mixed in place" method and a quarter of a mile was retreated in the usual way.

As it is becoming increasingly difficult to hire horses for sidewalk snow removal, an order was placed for a mechanical unit for that purpose. This order, however, was disallowed by the War Production Board. New horse-drawn plows to replace our old ones have not been available for some years. For these reasons our sidewalk snow removal will be handicapped to some extent.

Consideration should be given the purchase of a new motor-grader as soon as they are available. The equipment in general is in good condition.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK E. WILBUR,

Superintendent of Streets.

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit the report of the Police Department of the Town of Easton for the year ending December 31, 1944.

REPORT OF ARRESTS MADE DURING THE YEAR

Offense	Female	Male
Assault and Battery		2
Breaking and Entering and Larceny		2
Burning a Building		1
Delinquents		3
Drunk		7
Insane (committed to hospital)		2
Keeping unlicensed dogs		4
Larceny of Auto		2
Larceny of a Bicycle		1
Larceny of Gasoline		2
Operating so as to Endanger		4
Operating under the influence		1
Setting fires without a permit		2
Speeding	2	65
Violation of auto laws		13
Total	2	111
Arrests by State Police	0	0

Total amount of fines	$1,198.00
Total probation periods	4 year 7 months
Class I dealer's motor vehicle sales reports	98
Individual transfer or sale reports	176
Complaints	613
Investigations	651
Persons reported missing	13
Persons located	14
Summons served from Easton Police	10
Summons served from other police departments	31
Breaks in buildings	11

Messages delivered		33
Doors found open		18
Bicycles reported stolen		5
Bicycles recovered		6
Cars reported stolen		3
Cars recovered		4
Licenses suspended		32
Reports to Registry of Motor Vehicles filed		78
Property reported lost or stolen, total value		$2,121.25
Property recovered, total value		1,576.00
Revolver permits issued		26
Revolver permits issued police		8
Days in District Court		63
Days in Superior Court		14
Patients removed to hospitals in police ambulance:		
Relief cases (including accident)	22	
Private cases	19	
Total		41

TRAFFIC REPORT

Accidents reported involving personal injury	16
Accidents reported involving property damage	29
Fatal accidents	1
Pedestrians involved in accidents	2
Bicyclists involved in accidents	0

During the past year we were unable to have any white center lines or parking lines painted on our highways, due to the shortage of men and materials. It is hoped that this may be accomplished during the present year.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen and all other town departments and their members, for their kind services rendered this department during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT S. BERGLUND,
Chief of Police.

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, 1944

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I submit the following report of the activities of the Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1944.

Total number of calls	202

Summary:

Building fires	20
Chimney fires	18
Brush, grass and dump fires	112
Automobile and truck fires	2
Oil and gasoline flares	2
False and unnecessary	11
Emergency	5
Aid calls to outside towns	6
All others	3
Blackout	1

Permits issued:

Fire in open air	303
Transportation and use of explosives	2
Storage of fuel and range oil	27

The department has been very active this year. There has been a slight decrease in the number of calls for building fires but a large increase for brush fires. This increase caused by the very dry conditions during the entire summer. Losses from both types of fires have again been kept at a minimum. One incendiary fire during the year, which was investigated by proper authorities with my assistance.

All apparatus at both the North Easton and South Easton stations are in good working order.

Again our manpower is greatly handicapped, the boys being in the armed services of our country and into defense plants. Some changes have been made in the personnel of the South Easton Company and at the present time we are having a very good response to calls. Changes also in the North Easton Company were made as we lost the services of Lieut. Sundell. With all these changes it becomes almost impossible to have a full trained company at any one time. It is very difficult to get men at once at the start of fires as the men have other work and many outside interests. I am planning for many hard drills and will require attendance at them as soon as weather permits.

I still maintain an Auxiliary Fire Department although they are not active. They are still organized and ready for call at any time the occasion arises when I may need them.

Our Fire Alarm System is in good working condition. We have the new air whistle on the North Easton Station and after many trials and tests we have it working at its best. Our attendance at the fires prove that this new type whistle carries the call to the firemen living a distance from the Fire Station. Our radio has been of great assistance to us during the brush fire season, I, having sent many calls into the station from my car for the trucks.

There is a small repair that must be made to the stucco at South Easton Station this year as soon as weather permits. At the North Easton Station we are also facing repair work on the building. I urge the extension of the Fire Alarm System to the South Easton Section, at least connecting the two stations. This should be given consideration when conditions warrant it.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, and all other town departments and their members, for their kind assistance given this department during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR W. BAILEY, Chief.

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To the Selectmen of the Town of Easton:

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1944:

	Adjusted	Sealed	Not Sealed
Platform, 10,000 lbs. and over		3	
Platform, 5,0001-10,000 lbs.		3	
Platform, 100-5,000 lbs.	2	23	
Counter, 100 lbs or over		1	
Counter, under 100 lbs.		12	
Beam, 100 lbs or over		1	
Beam, under 100 lbs.	1	2	
Spring, 100 lbs or over		3	
Spring, under 100 lbs.	1	13	
Computing, under 100 lbs.		18	
Personal Weighing		4	
Prescription		1	
Avoirdupois		118	
Apothecary, Troy		21	
Metric		19	
Liquid, 1 gal. or less		25	
Oil and Milk Jars		25	
Meters, 1-in. inlet		26	
Meters, over 1-in. inlet	1	5	
Gasoline Measuring Pumps			16
Kerosene Pumps		3	
Quantity Measures on Pumps		8	

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN CHILLINGWORTH,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

To the Selectmen of the Town of Easton:

Gentlemen:

Following is my report as Dog Officer for Easton for the year ending December 31, 1944:

On November 16, 1944, there was submitted to me a list showing 165 unlicensed dogs located in all sections of the town.

During the year 24 stray dogs were picked up, confined and disposed of as is provided by law.

There were 31 complaints entered to me for investigation respecting persons having been bitten by dogs.

Four restraint notices were served and seven dogs were returned to their owners.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. CHILLINGWORTH,
Dog Officer.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

To the Selectmen of Easton:

I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1944.

During the year the inspection of dairy cattle and the conditions under which they were kept was not required by the Department of Agriculture, but all other duties were to continue, investigating all reports of contagious diseases of domestic animals and all animals that come in from out of state for dairy purposes.

Respectfully submitted,
J. CLINTON GOWARD,
Inspector of Animals.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF MOTH WORK

To the Selectmen of the Town of Easton:

I submit the following report of the work of the Moth Department for the year 1944.

The woodland colony at Lincoln Street and Bay Road showed some defoliation this year, and another coming in from Stoughton off Canton Street was also quite bad, both colonies showing large numbers of egg clusters this fall. Scattered infestations throughout the residential sections and the remainder of the town are noted, although no other sections showed defoliation.

No scout or creosote work has been done to date. Last year this work was nearly all completed at this time. Unless men for this work are available in the early spring, conditions will be bad this summer and fall.

With the loan of one man from the Road Department for three weeks, I was enabled to spray the roadsides and badly infested sections, as well as some of the State Highway, to protect the adjacent properties.

There were more Tent Caterpillars than last year, and we are looking forward to the time when we can cut all wild cherries. This would help materially in their control.

Very few Fall Web Worms, no Walnut Gall, Willow Beetle, Browntail or Satin Moth were found, but the Japanese Beetle was reported found in two locations in North Easton, on the John S. Ames property by Mr. Chamberlain. Property owners should watch very carefully for this beetle, for if it becomes established in large numbers, the results will be serious to your lawns as well as leaf plants.

The inability to secure men for the creosote work is responsible for the large unexpended balance of the 1944 appropriation, and this will reflect seriously in the conditions this year. Unless men are found for this work, it will be necessary for the property owners to creosote the egg clusters upon their properties, if they wish to protect them. Creosote for this work will be furnished upon application.

The sprayer again went through the season with no repairs, and is in good condition. The Chevrolet truck required some repairs, and will need more this year.

For a detailed account of expenses, see the Town Accountant's report.

Appropriation	$2,500.00
Expended	1,442.77
Unexpended balance	$1,057.23
Requested for 1945	$2,500.00

Respectfully submitted,

ROSCOE MELENDY,
Superintenden of Moth Work.

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

To the Citizens of the Town of Easton:

I submit the following report of the work of the Tree Department for the year 1944.

Again this year we had a hurricane, and while not as bad as the first one, sixteen trees were blown down and many more suffered broken tops or limbs. In all, fourteen trees were removed, also the broken limbs, and the necessary bolting of split trees was done.

Men and trucks from the Road Department helped in the emergency work, one man remaining with me until the dangerous limbs were removed. The broken stubs and splits still remain to be cut and treated.

The storm doing much more damage in Taunton than in Easton, Mr. Briggs was obliged to call back the men he had loaned me the week previously, and I was unable to get them again until late in the season. Seven dangerous trees were then cut, and large dead limbs over the highways were removed. There is much work left to do, and our trees are in the worst condition for many years.

About the usual amount of spraying was done in conjunction with the moth spraying. There were very few cases of Elm Leaf Beetle or Canker Worm. The Dutch Elm disease has been found farther east than last year.

The Maple Wilt, which appeared last year for the first time with such disastrous results, was found in but three places, and thenonly on a few limbs. This is very fortunate. We hope it continues to disappear.

Several requests for planting trees were received, and as soon as conditions will allow, trees should be planted to replace those removed, where desirable, and in many new locations requested.

While the appropriation was not all expended because of lack of men, I recommend that the same amount be appropriated for 1945, that some of the very necessary work may be accomplished if possible.

For a detailed account of expenses, see the Town Accountant's report.

Appropriation	$2,600.00
Expended	1,896.82
Unexpended Balance	$ 703.18

Respectfully submitted,

ROSCOE MELENDY,
Tree Warden.

JURY LIST, 1944

Alger, Martin L., Foundry St.	Mechanic
Allen, Perley W., Poquanticut Ave.	Shoeworker
Anderson, Paul A. H., Reynolds St.	Seamfitter
Anderson, Wendell G., Depot St.	Salesman
Barrett, Daniel, Sheridan St.	Chauffeur
Benson, C. Edwin, Columbus Ave.	Guard
Bowden, Mervin I., Foundry St.	Poultry Farmer
Boynton, Wellington D., Allen Road	Poultry Farmer
Brophy, James T., Depot St.	Machinist
Brown, Clifton, Poquanticut Ave.	Dairy Farmer
Chase, Ernest A., Washington St.	Newspaperman
Chillingworth, John W., Washington St.	Caretaker
Dahlborg, Joseph N., Jenny Lind St.	Shoeworker
Diamond, Robert E., Foundry St.	Coremaker
Dewitt, George H., Center St.	Salesman
Dorgan, Ralph D., Washington St.	Clerk
Durfee, Norman O., Poquanticut Ave.	Investigator
Eastwood, Edwin H., Center St.	Poultry Farmer
Erving, Russell M., Foundry St.	Bus Operator
Fox, Thomas R., Elm St.	Salesman
Gardner, Benjamin F., Seaver St.	Printer
Gibbs, Stanley J., Main St.	Shovelworker
Gordon, Leslie J., Foundry St.	Carpenter
Gordon, Nathaniel M., Main St.	Druggist
Harrold, Elmer C., Center St.	Electrician
Harvey, Andrew P., Poquanticut Ave.	Bookkeeper
Healey, James H., Seaver St.	Mail Carrier
Heath, Harold J., Depot St.	Foreman
Hickey, J. Vincent, Pine St.	Insurance
Howard, John B., Washington St.	Coal and Grain Business
Humphrey, George E., Washington St.	Retired
Johnson, Carl A., Purchase St.	Dairy Farmer
Jackson, Arthur W., Washington St.	Mechanic

Johnson, E. Reinhold, Jenny Lind St.	Accountant
Lomer, Edward A., Washington St.	Poultry Farmer
Mahoney, John M., Columbus Ave.	Shoeworker
Malcoski, Charles J., Foundry St.	Machinist
Marshall, William G., Elm St.	Dairy Farmer
Mason, Lewis R., Depot St.	Salesman
McNamara, Francis J., Short St.	Mechanic
McNamara, Roger A., Depot St.	Mech. Engineer
O'Connor, John F., Bay St.	Dairy Farmer
Pires, Antonio T., Center St.	Mason
Reardon, Francis J., Lincoln St.	Truckman
Shurtleff, Carleton, Depot St.	Real Estate
Sundell, Harry J. D., Main St.	Gas Station
Swanson, Magnus B., Center St.	Manufacturer
Taylor, Orrin L., Highland St.	Poultry Farmer
Varnum, Algernon B., Jenny Lind St.	Salesman
Walett, Gustaf A., Washington St.	Mechanic
Walker, Maynard A., Central St.	Machinist
Watt, James, Jr., Washington St.	Nurseryman
Wright, Samuel E., Jr., Norton Ave.	Dairy Farmer
Wry, Thomas W., Sheridan St.	Dairy Farmer

Approved:

EDGAR W. BALDWIN,
ALBERT E. WOOD,
DENIS C. BROPHY,

Selectmen of Easton.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Citizens of the Town of Easton:

The number of diseases dangerous to the public health reported in the year 1944 was two hundred twenty-one, as follows:

Measles, ten; Mumps, sixty-seven; Chicken Pox, one hundred three; German Measles, one; Whooping Cough, one; Scarlet Fever, seventeen; Lobar Pneumonia, one; Septic Sore Throat, one; Pulmonary Tuberculosis, one; Malaria, one; Infantile Paralysis, two; Cerebro-spinal Meningitis, one; Meningococcus Pyemia, one; Meningococemia, one; Friedlander's Bacteremia, one; Dog-Bite, eleven; Cat-Bite, one.

Deaths from reportable diseases in 1944 were four; all Pulmonary Tuberculosis. The total number of deaths of Easton residents was sixty-four, a death rate of 12.4 per thousand, based on a population of 5,135, the federal census figures of 1940. This does not include the war casualties, which are reported to the War Department.

The number of births was one hundred twelve, a birth rate of 21.8 per thousand.

As usual, the greatest expense was on account of Tuberculosis. During the year, there were five patients at the Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital, and one at the Lakeville State Sanatorium. Three of the patients died, one was discharged, and two still require hospital care.

Five patients were hospitalized at the Haynes Memorial Hospital for the following diseases: two cases of Infantile Paralysis, one Scarlet Fever, one Meningococcemia, one Friedlander's Bacteremia. All the patients recovered and were discharged.

In 1928 a campaign was begun to immunize the school children against Diphtheria, and this work has been carried on every year since by the Board of Health with the cooperation of the School Department. During the first years, the work was done by physicians connected with the State Department of Public Health, assisted by Dr. Robert B. Porter. For the past fourteen years this work was done for the local board by Dr. Porter, and it is to his credit that we have had no Diphtheria cases among the school children in that time.

Looking back on the death records of Easton, we find that in the year 1882 there were twenty-one deaths from Diphtheria. In the year 1927, previous to immunization, seventeen cases were reported, with two deaths. In 1928 nine cases were reported, with one death. Eight of these cases occurred early in the year, before the immunization program was started.

In 1929 two cases were reported, both of whom were adults. In 1930 there was no case reported to the board. In 1931 there were two cases reported, both children under school age. Since that time no case of Diphtheria has been reported in Easton, proving that the campaign against Diphtheria has been very effective.

Monthly tests by the Inspector of Milk showed that the milk produced and sold in Easton is clean and of good quality.

This year, for the first time, there was a special appropriation for the collection of garbage. The contract was given to Bernard J. Talbot, Jr., who has been very cooperative and has done satisfactory work. If there is any resident whose garbage is not being collected, Mr. Talbot would like to be notified.

The appropriation for the general account was $3000.00, and the expenses $3601.96, necessitating a transfer of $601.96 from the Reserve Account. The increased expense was mainly due to increase in hospital rates. Receipts of the board amounted to $480.12, which was turned into the general fund of the town.

The appropriation for Collection of Garbage was $2500.00, and expenditures $1598.00, leaving a balance of $902.00. The collections did not start until April 15th.

We recommend an appropriation of $3600.00 for the general account, and an appropriation of $2300.00 for collection of garbage.

Licenses issued by the board in effect in 1944 as follows: Milk licenses and permits, one hundred forty-one; Oleomargarine licenses, eight; Pasteurization licenses, two; Garbage Collectors' licenses, four; permits to keep Swine, six; Manicure and Massage licenses, five; manufacture of Non-Alcoholic Beverages, one; Slaughtering license, one.

There were forty-two burial permits issued.

We append the reports of the Milk Inspector, the Inspector of Slaughtering, and the report of the Diphtheria Immunization Clinic.

On February 4, 1944, David J. O'Connell, then Chairman of the Board of Health, passed away. He was appointed to the board on January 5, 1909, to fill a vacancy, and thereafter was elected to the board and served as chairman for thirty-five years until his death. He took a keen interest in public health work, and was instrumental in having legislation enacted favorable to health work by local boards.

Respectfully submitted,

JACOB BRENNER, Chairman,
CLYDE A. CRAIG,
CORA M. HENNIGAR,

Board of Health.

REPORT ON DIPHTHERIA IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

To the Board of Health of Easton:

Of the many children who received Diphtheria Toxoid in 1943, only about eight had positive reactions requiring repeat inoculations.

This year about eighty children received Diphtheria Toxoid inoculations.

I wish to thank Miss Murch, the school nurse, for her efficient assistance.

JACOB BRENNER, M. D.

REPORT OF MILK INSPECTOR

December 31, 1944.

Dr. Jacob Brenner, Chairman,
Board of Health of Easton.

Dear Sir:

The following is the report of the Inspector of Milk for the year 1944, this being the twenty-second in a series of annual reports by me.

During the year, ninety-six samples of milk were collected from local and from out-of-town dealers who sell milk in Easton. These samples were tested for the percentage of butterfat, solids not fat, total solids, sediment, and plated for bacterial count.

Twenty-seven farms on which two or more cows were kept were inspected, and the herd, barn, milkroom, and utensils scored according to the official score-card of the Massachusetts Milk Regulation Board. Some of these farms required more than one inspection. After prescribed conditions were met, these farms were approved for certificates of registration which are now required for the sale of milk.

Licenses issued to stores for the sale of oleomargarine numbered eight, milk licenses issued for vehicles numbered sixteen, and store licenses for the sale of milk and cream numbered twenty-five.

I have found with few exceptions that the milk producers of Easton are paying attention to details of sanitation on their farms. An effort is being made to produce milk from clean cows and under conditions of clean barns and milk rooms. Producers are paying more attention to prompt cooling of the milk and better sterilization of utensils with a result that we have been able to have a product with very satisfactory and comparatively low bacterial counts in most instances. With increased difficulty in keeping satisfactory farm labor, however, satisfactory production today requires close supervision and constant vigilance on the part of the milk inspector, plus a willingness to help and counsel when trouble arises.

I am grateful for the friendly and co-operative spirit and the willingness to follow suggestions which the milk producers of Easton have shown during the past year.

Respectfully yours,
LEO J. FITZPATRICK,
Inspector of Milk.

REPORT OF SLAUGHTERING INSPECTOR

North Easton, Mass.,
Jan. 1, 1945.

To the Board of Health of Easton:

I submit the following report for the year 1944.

I have inspected and passed nine hundred and eighteen carcasses of different animals, as follows:

365	Cows
15	Bulls
151	Hogs
358	Calves
18	Steers
11	Lambs
918	Total

Yours respectfully,
GEORGE CARR,
Inspector.

To the Board of Health of Easton:

I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1944.

During the year I have inspected and passed ten hogs.

Respectfully submitted,
J. CLINTON GOWARD,
Inspector of Slaughtering.

REPORT OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

To the Citzens of Easton:

GENERAL RELIEF

The folowing is detailed report of temporary aid granted during the year.

WELFARE COSTS

		Cases	
Easton Settled, Residing in Easton		2	$ 504.79
Easton Settled Cases, Residing in Other Cities and Towns		5	938.25
Settled in Other Cities and Towns, Residing in Easton		1	1,106.50
Middleboro Infirmary Cases		2	963.92
Total Relief Granted		10	$3,513.46
Agent's Salary	$780.00		
Telephone and Tolls	40.21		
Insurance	22.23		
Travel Expenses (including auto maintenance)	109.37		
Servicing Typewriter	12.00		
All Other	4.00		
Total Administration Expenses			967.81
Total			$4,481.27

SUMMARY

Appropriation	$6,500.00
Expended	4,481.27
Unexpended	$2,018.73

WELFARE RECEIPTS

City of Boston	$1,619.51

SUMMARY

Appropriation	$6,500.00
Welfare Total Costs	4,481.27
Unexpended	$2,018.73
Receipts	1,619.51
Unexpended Balance and Receipts to Excess and Deficiency	$3,638.24

EASTON SETTLED CASES RESIDING IN EASTON

1		$480.00
2	Closed	24.79
	Total	$504.79

Total 2 Cases during year
1 Case closed during year
—
1 Case open end of year

SETTLED IN OTHER CITIES, RESIDING IN EASTON

1	$1,106.50

Total 1 Case open end of year

EASTON SETTLED, RESIDING IN OTHER CITIES AND TOWNS

1		$216.25
2		36.00
3		366.00
4	Closed	96.00
5	Closed	224.00
	Total	$938.25

Total 5 Cases during year
2 Cases closed during year
—
3 Cases open end of year

MIDDLEBORO INFIRMARY

1	$457.60
2	506.32
Total	$963.92

Purchases as follows having been made from merchants at the choice of recipient:

First National Store	$780.00
McCarthy Coal Co.	82.10
Wm. Knapp & Sons	76.50
Edwin O. Nystrom	68.55
Garcias	10.00
Brant Rock Pharmacy	1.00
Total	$1,018.15

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT E. WOOD, Chairman,
EDGAR W. BALDWIN,
DENIS C. BROPHY,

Board of Public Welfare.

MARGARET E. HARVEY, Agent.

REPORT OF AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

To the Citizens of Easton:

The following is a case load and financial accounting for this type of assistance:

	Cases	Children
January 1, 1944	5	17
Added during year	0	0
Total	5	17
Closed during year	0	1
Cases open end of year	5	16

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN EXPENDITURES

Cases	Children	
5	17	$3,541.00

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN RECEIPTS

Federal Grant Balance January 1, 1944	$2,814.20
Federal Grants received during 1944	1,340.00
State Grants received during 1944	1,211.24
Total Receipts	$5,365.44

SUMMARY

Appropriation for 1944	$3,500.00
Federal Balance, January 1, 1944	2,814.20
Federal Grants for 1944	1,340.00
State Grants for 1944	1,211.24
	$8,865.44
Paid to Recipients	3,541.00
	$5,324.44

Unexpended Town Appropriation	$1,625.75	
State Grants	1,211.24	
Transfer to Excess and Deficiency		$2,836.99
Federal Balance on hand December 31, 1944		$2,487.45

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT E. WOOD, Chairman,
EDGAR W. BALDWIN,
DENIS C. BROPHY,

Board of Public Welfare.

MARGARET E. HARVEY, Agent.

REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

To the Citizens of Easton:

Your bureau which cares for this type of assistance has adhered as close as possible to the approved budgetary standards set up by the State Department, and where cases of illness have arisen we have provided such extraordinary nursing, medical service and hospitalization as our Town Physician deemed advisable.

There are a multitude of petitions filed with the incoming Legislature covering every phase of this assistance and undoubtedly many changes in present law will result.

The following statement sets forth particulars concerning case load, receipts and expenditures.

Applications received during 1944	18
Old Age Assistance granted	17
Applications denied	1
Old Age Assistance Cases Active January 1, 1944	129
Old Age Assistance Cases added during year	17
Old Age Assistance Cases, Easton Settled, residing in Other Cities and Towns	20
Total Old Age Assistance Cases for 1944	166
Total Old Age Assistance Cases closed during year	18
Total Old Age Assistance Cases open end of year	148

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE EXPENDITURES

Direct Payment to Recipients	$54,800.05
Indirect Payments: Burials, Medicine, etc.	313.35
Paid Other Cities and Towns	1,529.06
Agent's Salary	780.00
Total Cost	$57,422.47

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE RECEIPTS

Federal Grant Balance on hand January 1, 1944	$23,505.89
Federal Grant received during 1944	25,138.95
State Grant received during 1944	21,008.13
Other Cities and Towns	863.96
Total Receipts	$70,516.93

SUMMARY

Appropriation for 1944		$36,000.00
Federal Grant Balance, January 1, 1944		23,505.89
Federal Grant received during 1944		25,138.95
State Grant received during 1944		21,008.13
Other Cities and Towns		863.96
		$106,516.93
Total Costs		57,422.47
		$ 49,094.46
Unexpended Town Appropriation	$ 2,343.51	
Cities and Towns	863.96	
State Grants	21,008.13	
To Excess and Deficiency		24,215.60
Federal Balance on hand December 31, 1944		$24,878.86

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT E. WOOD, Chairman,
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Bureau of Old Age Assistance.

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REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

I have examined the books of the Town Clerk, Collector, and Town Treasurer, also the various Trust Funds, and find all these to be correct.

The expenditures, appropriations, receipts and accounts receivable are shown on the following pages.

STANLEY F. RICE,
Town Accountant.

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$6,865.00
Selectmen	$1,300.00	
Board of Public Welfare	1,600.00	
Board of Health	288.62	
Assessors	1,400.00	
Town Clerk	800.00	
Tax Collector	960.00	
Town Treasurer	480.00	
Moderator	25.00	
		$6,853.62
Unexpended Balance		$11.38

TOWN OFFICE

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$875.00
Rent	$750.00	
Light	52.72	
Supplies	55.46	
Insurance	4.81	
		$862.99
Unexpended Balance		$12.01

SELECTMEN'S EXPENSE

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$300.00
Books and Forms	$65.34	
Transportation, Meals, etc.	182.60	

Telephone	31.48	
Association Dues	9.00	
		$288.42
Unexpended Balance		$11.58

TOWN ACCOUNTANT'S SALARY

Appropriation March 6, 1944	$800.00
Stanley F. Rice	800.00
Unexpended Balance	$ .00

TOWN ACCOUNTANT'S EXPENSE

Appropriation March 6, 1944	$75.00
Books, Forms and Postage	64.96
Unexpended Balance	$10.04

TOWN TREASURER'S EXPENSE

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$1,075.00
Assistant	$300.00	
Surety Bonds	109.50	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	199.60	
Insurance	30.00	
Tax Possession Expense	176.11	
Transportation, etc.	23.97	
		$839.18
Unexpended Balance		$235.82

TAX COLLECTOR'S EXPENSE

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$1,400.00
Assistant	$760.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	310.15	
Surety Bonds	175.75	
Advertising Tax Takings	21.00	
Deputy Collector's Expense	67.00	
All Other Expense	12.00	
		$1,345.90
Unexpended Balance		$54.10

ASSESSOR'S EXPENSE

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$1,225.00
Clerk	$400.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	100.43	
Transportation	65.00	
Transcript of Cards	46.16	
Rent of Calculator	8.00	
Telephone	45.92	
Association Dues	6.00	
		$671.51
Unexpended Balance		$553.49

LEGAL SERVICES

Appropriation March 6, 1944	$600.00
Richard J. Hatchfield	600.00
Unexpended Balance	$ .00

TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSE

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$500.00
Assistant	$360.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	43.08	
Surety Bonds	7.00	
Telephone	47.94	
		$458.02
Unexpended Balance		$41.98

ELECTION EXPENSE

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$825.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund		164.00
		$989.00
Election Officers	$736.50	
Police at Polls	67.80	
Janitor Service	24.00	
Posting Warrants	21.00	
Printing and Supplies	127.17	
Repairs to Booths	12.53	
		$989.00
Unexpended Balance		$ .00

REGISTRARS' SALARIES

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$225.00
Sigfrid V. Ledin	$75.00	
Luther E. Swift	75.00	
John J. Galvin	75.00	
		$225.00
Unexpended Balance		$ .00

REGISTRATION EXPENSE

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$500.00
Mary E. Wade	$105.00	
Herbert E. MacKinnon	80.00	
Jennie Goss	60.50	
Clifton C. Ripley	26.05	
Printing	218.50	
All Other Expense	7.30	
		$497.35
Unexpended Balance		$2.65

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$8,916.40
Herbert S. Berglund, Chief	$2,381.40	
Herbert S. Berglund, Keeper of Lockup	100.00	
George A. Pierson	1,890.00	
Ernest B. Weir	1,268.10	
John W. Chillingworth	1,421.70	
Joel Johnson	94.50	
Gas and Oil	507.00	
Auto Repairs and Maintenance	348.11	
Equipment and Repairs	106.45	
Telephone	158.99	
Fuel and Light	218.48	
Buildings and Grounds	144.41	
Insurance	42.87	
Office Equipment	45.53	
All Other Expense	185.17	
		$8,912.71
Unexpended Balance		$3.69

POLICE CAR

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$1,300.00
Adv. for Bids	$5.00	
Earles Motor Sales	1,198.55	
		$1,203.55
Unexpended Balance		$96.45

POLICE CAR RADIO

Balance January 1, 1944	$273.50
Expenditures	.00
Balance Carried Forward to January 1, 1945	$273.50

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$9,300.00
Transferred from Reserve Account		200.00
		$9,500.00
Arthur W. Bailey, Chief	$750.00	
Harold A. Anderson	143.25	
Harold E. Anderson	149.00	
John Baker	1.00	
Daniel J. Barrett	113.25	
Henry J. Baxter	121.25	
Donald W. Bellows	1.00	
Lester Broman	103.67	
Edward Buck	2.00	
Raymond M. Buck	266.75	
James Buckley	135.25	
Kenneth H. Cantwell	58.45	
Roland W. Carlson	51.95	
Clarence Cogswell	3.50	
Robert E. Day	166.75	
James DeCoute	2.25	
Daniel Donahue	2.25	
Franklin D. Drew	63.57	
Henry F. Drew	113.52	
Elof Edlund	48.00	
George C. Field	178.17	
William L. Flynn	278.00	
William M. Furlong	182.00	
John Harlow	5.50	

Roy Hayden	3.50
Frank F. Heal	135.00
Walter Healey	7.50
Thomas Hegg	1.25
C. Dwight Hill	178.50
Robert Hill	7.00
Lester Hobbs	47.50
Robert Holmberg	1.00
Channing Howard	6.75
John Howard, Jr.	3.50
Walter Johnson	5.50
Joseph H. Kelley	124.25
Robert Libbey	1.00
John Lordan	28.00
William F. Lordan	149.50
Edward Lyons	120.25
Herbert MacKinnon	1.50
John R. Maguire	134.25
John W. Mahoney	235.00
Richard T. Maliff	62.09
Edward McCarty	71.83
Winslow MacDonald	6.00
Frank J. Mitrano	130.50
Merle Monroe	1.00
Douglas Mullen	6.50
James Mullen	5.25
Ralph W. Nason	68.92
Roger Nichols	31.75
Brian Nolan	5.75
David Nolan	2.25
Kenneth Norton	7.00
Fred Olin	37.58
Joseph Ornellas	6.50
Joseph Perry	.75
Fred E. Ricker	102.16
Richard Rollins	7.00
Manuel Santos	8.33
Fred Shaw, Jr.	6.50
Chester Smith	1.00
Joseph Stepanski	4.00
George W. Stone	147.50
Alvin C. Straight	237.00
Robert Strid	8.00
Harry Sundell	176.75
Martin D. Swanson	167.92

Arthur H. Tufts	152.00	
Ralph Tufts	36.67	
David Watts	7.00	
Carlton Wilbar	7.00	
Philip Wilde	303.25	
Charles Willis	5.50	
Vernon E. Willis	139.25	
George Wood	37.75	
Ronald Woodworth	1.00	
William Yaskonis	85.50	
Fire Alarm Maintenance	488.93	
Allowance for Use of Car	150.00	
Supplies	268.44	
Hose	140.00	
Gas and Oil	290.79	
Repairs	727.36	
Fuel	444.99	
Light and Power	238.25	
Building Maintenance and Supplies	18.16	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	12.70	
Telephone	217.74	
Insurance	160.22	
Association Dues	5.00	
All Other Expense	30.60	
		$9,409.01
Unexpended Balance		$90.99

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$500.00
John W. Chillingworth, Services and Transportation	$420.00	
Equipment	9.81	
Insurance	12.10	
		$441.91
Unexpended Balance		$58.09

DOG OFFICER

Appropriation March 6, 1944	$200.00
John W. Chillingworth	150.00
Unexpended Balance	$50.00

MOTH DEPARTMENT

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$2,500.00
Roscoe W. Melendy	$493.10	
Vernon E. Willis	96.00	
Gas, Oil and Auto Repairs	232.08	
Equipment	25.58	
Insecticides	519.40	
Insurance	76.61	
		$1,442.77
Unexpended Balance		$1,057.23

TREE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$2,600.00
Roscoe W. Melendy	$668.10	
Charles Fullerton	4.90	
Alden Reynolds	5.50	
Fred Ricker	3.50	
Steven Southworth	15.40	
Vernon E. Willis	108.80	
Equipment	37.27	
Insecticides	269.88	
Insurance	49.97	
H. M. Briggs and Others (tree work)	733.50	
		$1,896.82
Unexpended Balance		$703.18

SALARY OF FOREST WARDEN

Appropriation March 6, 1944	$300.00
Arthur W. Bailey	300.00
Unexpended Balance	$ .00

EMERGENCY DEFENSE ACCOUNT

Appropriation March 6, 1944			$500.00
Rationing Board:			
Office Supplies	$41.90		
Telephone	68.58		
Light	51.55		
Transportation	33.00		
		$195.03	

Report Center:		
Telephone	32.80	
First Aid and Medical:		
Telephone	20.02	
Observation Tower:		
Repairs to Equipment	15.00	
State Guard:		
Janitor Service	220.57	
		$483.42
Unexpended Balance		$16.58

INSPECTION OF ANIMALS

Appropriation March 6, 1944	$100.00
J. Clinton Goward	100.00
Unexpended Balance	$ .00

LAND FOR TOWN DUMP

Balance January 1, 1944	$400.00
Amount Expended	.00
Balance January 1, 1945	$400.00

COLLECTION OF GARBAGE

Appropriation March 6, 1944	$2,500.00
Bernard J. Talbot, Jr.	1,598.00
Unexpended Balance	$902.00

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$3,000.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund		601.96
		$3,601.96
Winifred Cunningham, Clerk	$150.00	
Office Supplies	19.49	
Transportation and Expense	66.96	
Tuberculosis—Board and Treatment	1,531.50	
Contagious Diseases—Board and Treatment	431.50	
Birth and Death Returns	11.50	

Care of Dump	504.23	
Anti-Rabic Treatments	2.15	
Burying Animals	8.50	
Adv. Collection of Garbage	10.78	
Beverage Fees to Dept. of Public Health	10.00	
Daniel T. Healey, Inspector	179.00	
Fire at Dump	75.00	
Repairs to Pump	56.24	
Insurance	15.74	
Dr. Jacob Brenner, Diphtheria Clinic	50.00	
Brant Rock Pharmacy, Supplies	17.07	
Transportation to Clinic	52.80	
Inspector of Slaughtering	212.50	
Inspector of Milk	175.00	
Supplies for Milk Inspector	22.00	
		$3,601.96
Unexpended Balance		$ .00

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$14,700.00
Ames Highway Fund Income, Balance Jan. 1, 1944		878.59
Ames Highway Fund Income 1944		19,134.61
		$34,713.20
Transferred to Chapter 90 Maintenance		700.00
Available Funds		$34,013.20
Frank E. Wilbur	$2,364.00	
Carl W. Erickson	2,245.05	
Raphael H. Langley	2,269.29	
Thomas C. Brophy	1,534.85	
Chester E. Styren	1,627.80	
Eldon S. Pratt	1,579.65	
Vernon E. Willis	1,204.03	
Edwin A. Sandgren	140.40	
Albert S. Smith	1,543.34	
William Lordan	1,489.72	
John W. Lewis	1,506.16	
Russell W. Jones	887.00	
Charles E. Madan	113.25	
Francis J. McNamara	277.08	
Robert Fernandez	3.00	

Harold T. Litchfield	78.00	
Telephone	116.10	
Barn—Light and Power	41.36	
Traffic Lights	294.76	
Machine Equipment	793.49	
Road Equipment	656.68	
Maintenance and Repairs	1,652.04	
Stone and Gravel	391.09	
Gas and Oil	1,184.76	
Cement, Lumber, etc.	555.86	
Tarvia	4,200.15	
Insurance	944.23	
Coal and Kerosene	264.94	
Snow Removal—Horses and Trucks	480.62	
Snow Removal—Gas and Oil	159.11	
Snow Removal—Equipment and Repairs	920.47	
Snow Removal—Salt	151.00	
Garage Rental	300.00	
Water	10.00	
Dynamite Bond	30.00	
Surveys and Maps	185.43	
All Other Expense	30.63	
		$32,225.34

Ames Highway Fund Income Balance Carried Forward to January 1, 1945	$1,787.86

HIGHWAY—CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

Transferred from Highway Appropriation	$700.00
Received from Commonwealth of Massachusetts	699.96
Received from County of Bristol	699.96
	$2,099.92

Carl W. Erickson	$67.28
Raphael H. Langley	26.25
Thomas C. Brophy	39.00
Chester E. Styren	39.00
Eldon S. Pratt	26.25
Vernon E. Willis	29.52
Albert S. Smith	27.36
William Lordan	28.08
John W. Lewis	25.92
Russell W. Jones	34.50
Francis J. McNamara	25.92

Tarvia	1,473.36	
Sand	38.50	
Use of Machinery	218.95	
		$2,099.89
Unexpended Balance		$ .03

PUBLIC WELFARE

Appropriation March 6, 1944	$6,500.00
Amount Expended	4,481.27
Unexpended Balance	$2,018.73

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—TOWN FUNDS

Appropriation March 6, 1944	$36,000.00
Amount Expended	33,656.49
Unexpended Balance	$2,343.51

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—FEDERAL FUNDS

Balance January 1, 1944	$23,505.89
Federal Grants	25,138.95
	$48,644.84
Amount Expended	23,765.98
Balance Carried Forward to January 1, 1945	$24,878.86

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION—TOWN FUNDS

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$300.00
Postage	$99.12	
Equipment	37.73	
Office Supplies	49.49	
		$186.34
Unexpended Balance		$113.66

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION—FEDERAL FUNDS

Balance January 1, 1944	$495.53
Federal Grants	840.23
	$1,335.76

Investigator	$200.00	
Social Service Index	15.50	
Typewriter Maintenance	12.00	
Office Supplies	84.81	
Travel Expense	193.93	
Auto Tires and Parts	150.63	
Postage	17.40	
Reference Books	29.50	
		$703.77
Balance Carried Forward to January 1, 1945		$631.99

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN— TOWN FUNDS

Appropriation March 6, 1944	$3,500.00
Amount Expended	1,874.25
Unexpended Balance	$1,625.75

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN— FEDERAL FUNDS

Balance January 1, 1944	$2,814.20
Federal Grant	1,340.00
	$4,154.20
Amount Expended	1,666.75
Balance Carried Forward to January 1, 1945	$2,487.45

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN ADMINISTRATION— TOWN FUNDS

Appropriation March 6, 1944	$100.00
Amount Expended	.00
Unexpended Balance	$100.00

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN ADMINISTRATION— FEDERAL FUNDS

Balance January 1, 1944	$288.09
Federal Grants	83.93
	$372.02

Postage	10.00
Balance Carried Forward to January 1, 1945	$362.02

TOWN PHYSICIAN

Appropriation March 6, 1944	$800.00
Dr. W. M. Stevenson	800.00
Unexpended Balance	$ .00

CHILD WELFARE AND PRE-SCHOOL NURSING

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$600.00
Ellen A. Atwood	$300.00	
Clarabel A. Powell	300.00	
		$600.00
Unexpended Balance		$ .00

SOLDIERS' RELIEF

Appropriation March 6, 1944	$1,000.00
Amount Expended	492.36
Unexpended Balance	$507.64

WORLD WAR #2 ALLOWANCE

Appropriation March 6, 1944	$1,000.00
Amount Expended	25.00
Unexpended Balance	$975.00

FINANCE COMMITTEE EXPENSE

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$25.00
Association Dues	$10.00	
Forms	2.25	
		$12.25
Unexpended Balance		$12.75

INCIDENTALS

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$100.00
Adv. Sale of Pyper Property	$13.51	
Adv. Land of Low Value	6.00	
		$19.51
Unexpended Balance		$80.49

MEMORIAL AND ARMISTICE DAY

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$375.00
Music	$169.00	
Transportation	60.00	
Flags, Markers and Wreaths	93.59	
Refreshments	27.72	
Programs	14.00	
		$364.31
Unexpended Balance		$10.69

PENSIONS

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$991.00
Charles S. Coldwell	$491.00	
Carl G. Jansen	500.00	
		$991.00
Unexpended Balance		$ .00

TOWN REPORTS

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$622.20
Advertising for Bids	$5.00	
Printing and Binding	571.20	
Delivering Reports	45.00	
		$621.20
Unexpended Balance		$1.00

CEMETERIES AND GRASS PLOTS

Appropriation March 6, 1944		$500.00
Income from Cemetery Funds		413.61
		$913.61

John W. Chillingworth	$157.20	
James Canty	23.50	
George Carter	5.00	
Walter E. Holmes	85.00	
George A. Pierson	46.00	
E. Norman Pierson	97.00	
Carrie M. Smith	50.00	
R. M. Erving	40.00	
Equipment	37.85	
Auto Expense	34.96	
Insurance	30.21	
Wreaths and Flowers	11.00	
Special Payments from Cemetery Funds:		
Heman Howard, Treasurer	7.54	
Pine Grove Cemetery Corp.	47.29	
Immaculate Conception Cemetery	5.02	
Furnace Village Cemetery Corp.	54.27	
		$731.84
Cemetery Fund Income Balance Carried Forward to January 1, 1945		$181.77

INTEREST ON NOTES

Appropriation March 6, 1944	$100.00
Amount Expended	.00
Unexpended Balance	$100.00

RESERVE FUND

Appropriation March 6, 1944 (from Overlay Reserve)		$3,000.00
Transferred to Election Expense	$164.00	
Transferred to Fire Department	200.00	
Transferred to Health Department	601.96	
		$965.96
Balance Transferred to Overlay Reserve		$2,034.04

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Appropriation March 6, 1944	$104,401.00
Ames Fund Income Balance January 1, 1944	6.04

Ames Fund Income 1944		14,795.57
		$119,202.61
Less: Transfer to Bond Account		8,000.00
Available Funds		$111,202.61
Teachers' Salaries:		
Gilbert C. Mann	$3,600.00	
Gilman H. Campbell	3,400.00	
Esther L. Anderson	1,766.66	
Monica Beaton	1,713.28	
Marietta Canan	1,822.00	
Mary Cavan	600.00	
Ethelyn Cowperthwaite	1,722.70	
Margaret E. Dinneen	1,866.64	
Evelyn Foster	1,806.64	
Ruth G. Grant	1,544.50	
Kathryn E. Healey	1,800.00	
Adelaide W. Johnson	1,723.62	
Pauline R. Lyons	1,786.00	
Charles E. MacLeod	1,022.19	
John C. Mason	2,339.00	
Barbara Nickerson	1,800.00	
Hazel H. Skarp	1,585.00	
Beth S. Smith	1,803.00	
Peter J. Sperandio	2,425.00	
Clement S. Spillane	2,350.00	
Gladys T. Thomas	1,685.83	
Johanna G. McFadden	2,053.28	
Ruby L. Barrows	1,600.00	
June N. Canegaly	466.64	
Louise E. Canegaly	1,512.00	
Irene M. Fitzpatrick	483.28	
Olive Gurney	805.50	
Mary V. Harvey	1,600.00	
Grace P. Mills	1,493.28	
Mildred J. O'Connor	1,493.28	
Virginia T. Stackpole	1,557.00	
Hazel M. Williamson	1,367.00	
Anabelle P. Newman	1,657.62	
Karolyn R. Fisher	533.28	
Lucille L. Marvill	1,425.00	
Priscilla Hayward	466.64	
Mrs. Priscilla Hayward	21.00	

Esther A. DeAvellar	466.64	
Esther J. Heath	1,602.00	
Marie A. Porter	500.00	
Viola M. Geddes	1,493.28	
Edith V. Goff	1,600.00	
Doris W. Leach	175.00	
Kathryn Goeres	16.80	
Louis Surrey	36.80	
Myron Thomas	22.50	
Caroline D. Belcher	60.00	
Ruth E. Ganyard	960.00	
Anna A. Gilmore	378.00	
Raakel Hamalainen	764.50	
Florence M. Harris	1,067.10	
Irene Hatchfield	12.00	
Beatrice Hollis	237.00	
Phyllis I. Jenness	25.00	
John Loundes	42.00	
Aileen C. McFarlane	4.50	
Florence H. O'Leary	960.00	
Hazel E. Prescott	1,333.38	
Juliet A. Sell	780.00	
Dorothy E. Sherman	1,000.02	
Anna R. Veilleau	506.25	
Leon A. Regan	61.88	
Paul F. Whitten	44.75	
		72,846.26
Janitors' Wages:		
Alfred H. Dahlborg	$1,778.00	
Charles E. Malloy	1,553.00	
Archibald E. Smith	1,725.00	
Clifton C. Ripley	1,725.00	
Arthur Nystrom, Jr.	64.00	
Everett A. Dunn	675.01	
George M. Buck	350.00	
Carrie M. Smith	375.00	
		8,245.01
Dr. Robert Porter		740.00
Dr. Jacob Brenner		15.00
Grace M. Murch, School Nurse		1,843.31
Marilyn E. Boulette, Clerk		1,150.00
Supervisor of Attendance		100.00
Office Expense and Telephone		217.20
Superintendent's Traveling Expense		250.00

Textbooks	1,591.86	
Supplies	2,360.69	
Fuel	4,467.10	
Janitors' Supplies	962.51	
Water	208.44	
Electricity	1,149.39	
Miscellaneous School Plant	254.90	
Repairs	2,982.51	
Furniture and Furnishings	322.46	
Library	159.81	
Transportation of Nurse	275.00	
Health Supplies	10.48	
Miscellaneous Health	5.40	
Transportation	7,923.32	
Tuition	165.95	
General Expense Sundries	178.82	
Graduation	102.00	
Insurance	1,578.83	
Permanent Improvement	133.90	
New Equipment	789.86	
		111,030.01
Ames School Fund Balance Carried Forward to January 1, 1945		$172.60

DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE

DOG OFFICER

County of Bristol, Reimbursement		$132.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Rubber Hose Connection		$1.25

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Tuberculosis Subsidy	$390.62	
Slaughtering License	25.00	
Pasteurization Licenses	20.00	
Milk and Oleomargarine Licenses	24.50	
Beverage License—Simpson Spring Co.	20.00	
		$480.12

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Plowing Snow	$90.50	
Labor and Machine Hire	114.10	
		$204.60

INCIDENTALS

Rent of Pyper Property	$80.00	
Sale of History of Easton	12.50	
Licenses	2,417.00	
		$2,509.50

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	$21,008.13	
City of Attleboro	122.00	
City of Brockton	463.64	
Town of Billerica	9.00	
Town of East Bridgewater	49.05	

Town of Stoneham	36.00	
Town of Stoughton	76.65	
Town of Marshfield	20.01	
Town of Wakefield	87.61	
Sundry Persons	22.70	
		$21,894.79

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	$1,211.24

PUBLIC WELFARE

City of Boston	$1,619.51	
Sundry Persons	82.11	
		$1,701.62

POLICE DEPARTMENT

First District Court of Bristol Fines	$917.00	
Revolver Permits	13.00	
Ambulance Hire	104.00	
		$1,034.00

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Tuition and Transportation	$1,909.38	
Town of Sharon—Tuition	96.09	
Town of Stoughton—Tuition	120.71	
City of Boston—Tuition	90.87	
H. A. Richards—Tuition	75.83	
Rent of Hall	36.00	
Supplies Sold, Mimeograph Work, etc.	126.48	
		$2,455.36

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Fees	$55.73

TAX COLLECTOR

Fees	$375.79

TOWN CLERK

Fees	$396.55

INFIRMARY

Sale of Hearse	$5.00

REGISTRARS

Sale of Voting List	$1.00

WORLD WAR #2 ALLOWANCE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	$237.00

DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Police Department:		
Sundry Persons—Ambulance Hire		$31.00
Health Department:		
Sundry Persons	$301.00	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts Tuberculosis Subsidy	271.43	
Town of Norton—Hospital Care	94.50	
		666.93
Highway Department:		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts Plowing Snow		17.00
Public Welfare:		
City of Boston		499.21
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		593.43
Old Age Assistance:		
Town of Marshfield	$40.00	
Town of Wakefield	43.17	
City of Attleboro	67.42	

City of Brockton	189.98	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	5,337.39	
Federal Grants	3,955.37	
		9,633.33
World War #2 Allowance:		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		25.00
Military Aid:		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		120.00

Total Accounts Receivable

Equal to $2.317 per $1,000 of Valuation $11,585.90

Respectfully submitted,

STANLEY F. RICE,
Town Accountant.

BALANCE SHEET—December 31, 1944

ASSETS

Cash:		
General	$99,108.87	
Special Playground Fund	12,657.39	
		$111,766.26
Accounts Receivable:		
Town Taxes:		
Levy of 1943	$1,006.52	
Levy of 1944	14,229.09	
		15,235.61
Motor Vehicle Levy of 1944		263.63
Town Tax Title		1,308.17
Town Tax Possessions		282.46
Departmental Accounts Receivable:		
Police (ambulance service)	$31.00	
Health (State and sundry)	666.93	
Highway (State)	17.00	
Welfare (Cities and Towns)	499.21	
A.D.C. (State)	593.43	
O.A.A. (Cities and Towns)	340.57	
O.A.A. (State)	5,337.39	
O.A.A. (Federal)	3,955.37	
World War #2 Allowance (State)	25.00	
Military Aid (State)	120.00	
		11,585.90

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Road Machinery Fund		$2,124.08
Playground Fund		12,657.39
Proceeds from Sale of Real Estate		7,077.00
Proceeds from Dog License (due County)		23.60
Town Tax Possession Reserve		126.70
Reserve for Town Dump Purchase		400.00
Reserve for Police Car Radio Purchase		273.50
Ames Highway Fund Income		1,787.86
Ames School Fund Income		172.60
Cemetery Trust Fund Income		181.77
Federal Grant Balances:		
Old Age Assistance	$24,878.86	
Old Age Assistance Adm.	631.99	
Aid to Dependent Children	2,487.45	
Aid to Dependent Children Adm.	362.02	
		28,360.32
Overlay Reserve		13,134.94
Overlay for Abatement of Taxes:		
Levy of 1943	$2,882.97	
Levy of 1944	3,741.13	
		6,624.10
Revenue Reserved until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	$263.63	
Town Tax Titles	1,308.17	

		Town Tax Possessions	282.46	
		Departmental	11,585.90	13,440.16
		Surplus Revenue in Excess and Deficiency Account, Equal to $10.81 per $1,000 of Val.		54,058.01
	$140,442.03			$140,442.03

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$57,500.00	School Loan	$57,500.00

DISTRICT ACCOUNTS

Accounts Receivable:		Revenue Pledged to Districts When Collected:	
North Easton District Taxes	$460.75	North Easton District Taxes	$460.75
North Easton District Tax Titles	15.58	North Easton District Tax Titles	15.58
South Easton and Eastondale District Taxes	135.28	South Easton and Eastondale District Taxes	135.28
South Easton and Eastondale District Tax Titles	2.40	South Easton and Eastondale District Tax Titles	2.40
South Easton and Eastondale Tax Possessions	2.70	South Easton and Eastondale Tax Possessions	2.70
Unionville District Taxes	202.75	Unionville District Taxes	202.75
Unionville District Tax Titles	30.74	Unionville District Tax Titles	30.74
Easton Center District Taxes	242.36	Easton Center District Taxes	242.36
	$1,092.56		$1,092.56

Respectfully submitted,

STANLEY F. RICE,
Town Accountant.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Your Finance Committee herewith submits its Annual Report with recommendations for the several appropriations necessary for the maintenance of our Town Government.

The budgets of the various town departments were examined in detail with the Town Officials and our estimates have been made after many hours of careful study. Consideration has been given to both sides of the questions involved, always bearing in mind, that the amount of money actually expended is secondary to the value received in mutual benefit, especially, when action is necessary, either as an emergency or just plain common sense spending.

We recommend that all Town Officials bear in mind that a uniform tax rate, together with a fair assessed value is an important goal to strive for, especially, if we are to encourage desirable home owners to locate in our Town and develop our now vacant land, into residential real estate, which in turn will bring additional income into our Town Treasury.

Our meetings with the Town Officials have been most friendly and we desire to express our appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

EDGAR A. CRAIG, Chairman,
WILLIS G. BUCK, Secretary,
MERVIN I. BOWDEN,
WALFRED J. BROWMAN,
JOSEPH CONNOLLY,
HARRIS A. DeWITT,
NORMAN O. DURFEE,
TOM H. GREGG,
HERMAN HALVARSON,
JOHN B. HOWARD,
DANIEL L. KENT,
NEUBERT B. MORSE,
ROBERT G. WATT,
CLARKE L. WILCOX,
MYRON F. WILLIAMS,
Finance Committee,
Town of Easton.

ASSESSORS' EXPENSE

We recommend $1,245 for this item, of which $525 should be earmarked for legal and appraisal expense in connection with the Brockton Gas Company case.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

This department has been forced to ask for $600, an increase over the 1944 appropriation due to an increase in amount charged by various hospitals.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

The increase in this department is due mainly to increases in salaries, pupil transportation costs and necessary expenditures for repairs and maintenance of our school plant.

To save time and expense, we suggest that you read the detailed report of the School Committee offered as a part of this Annual Report.

TOWN WARRANT

Your committee acts as follows on the Articles in the Town Warrant:

Article 1. No recommendation required.

Article 2. See the Budget.

Article 3. We recommend that the sum of $200.00 be allocated for this purpose.

Article 4. We recommend that the sum of $400.00 be raised and appropriated for this purpose.

Article 5. We recommend the adoption of this Article.

Article 6. We recommend that a sum of money equal to that necessary to hold the tax rate at $27.00 be used for this purpose.

Article 7. We recommend that the sum of $1,000.00 be raised and appropriated for this purpose.

Article 8. We recommend that the sum of $200.00 be raised and appropriated for this purpose.

Article 9. We recommend the adoption of this article.

Articles 10 and 11. We recommend the adoption of these by-laws.

Article 12. No recommendation.

TOWN OF EASTON — BUDGET FOR TOWN MEETING, 1945

	Appropriated 1944		1944 Expended	1945 Requested	1945 Recommended
Assessors' Expense	$1,225.00		$671.51	$1,245.00	$1,245.00
Aid to Dependent Children	3,500.00	A	3,541.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Aid to Dependent Children—Adm.	100.00	B	10.00	100.00	100.00
Care of Cemeteries	500.00	C	731.84	400.00	400.00
Collection of Garbage	2,500.00		1,598.00	2,300.00	2,300.00
Dog Officer	200.00		150.00	200.00	200.00
Election Expense	825.00	D	989.00	450.00	450.00
Emergency Fund	*3,000.00		*965.96	*3,000.00	*3,000.00
Finance Committee Expense	25.00		12.25	25.00	25.00
Fire Department	9,300.00	E	9,409.01	9,530.00	9,300.00
Forest Warden's Salary	300.00		300.00	300.00	300.00
Health Department	3,000.00	F	3,601.96	3,600.00	3,600.00
Hire of Nurses	600.00		600.00	600.00	600.00
Inspector of Animals	100.00		100.00	100.00	100.00
Interest on Notes	100.00				
Incidentals	100.00		19.51	100.00	100.00
Legal Expense	600.00		600.00	600.00	600.00
Moth Department	2,500.00		1,442.77	2,500.00	2,500.00
Old Age Assistance	36,000.00	G	57,422.47	34,000.00	34,000.00
Old Age Assistance—Adm.	300.00	H	1,026.57	300.00	300.00
Pensions	991.00		991.00	991.00	991.00
Police Department	8,916.40		8,912.71	8,916.40	8,917.00
Public Welfare	6,500.00		4,481.27	6,500.00	5,500.00
Road Department	14,700.00	I	34,325.23	14,700.00	14,700.00
Registrars of Voters—Expense	500.00		497.35	500.00	500.00

Registrars of Voters—Salary	225.00	225.00	225.00	225.00
Rent of Town Offices	875.00	862.99	875.00	875.00
Schools	104,401.00	J 111,030.01	109,550.40	109,550.40
Sealers of Weights and Measures	500.00	441.91	500.00	300.00
Selectmen's Expense	300.00	288.42	300.00	300.00
Soldiers' Relief	1,000.00	492.36	1,000.00	1,000.00
State Census			500.00	500.00
Tax Collector's Expense	1,400.00	1,345.90	1,400.00	1,400.00
Town Accountant's Salary	800.00	800.00	800.00	800.00
Town Accountant's Expense	75.00	64.96	75.00	75.00
Town Clerk's Expense	500.00	458.02	500.00	500.00
Town Officers' Salaries	6,865.00	6,853.62	6,865.00	6,865.00
Town Physician	800.00	800.00	800.00	800.00
Town Reports	622.20	621.20	as invoiced	
Town Treasurer's Expense	1,075.00	839.18	1,075.00	1,075.00
Tree Department	2,600.00	1,896.82	2,600.00	2,600.00
	$218,420.60	$259,419.80	$221,022.80	$219,093.40
ARTICLES IN TOWN WARRANT:				
Memorial Day and Armistice Day	$375.00	$364.31	$400.00	$400.00
Emergency Defense Fund	500.00	483.42	200.00	200.00
World War #2 Allowance	1,000.00	25.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Police Auto	1,300.00	1,203.55	none	none
Total	$221,595.60	$261,496.08	$222,622.80	$220,693.40

A. $1,666.75 Federal Grant
B. 10.00 Federal Grant
C. 231.84 Cemetery Fund—Interest
D. 164.00 Transferred from Emergency Fund
E. 200.00 Transferred from Emergency Fund
F. 601.96 Transferred from Emergency Fund

G. 23,765.98 Federal Grant
H. 840.23 Federal Grant
I. 20,013.20 Ames Fund
1,399.92 From County and State
J. 6,629.01 Ames Fund
*Appropriated from Overlay Reserve Account

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
1945

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Bristol, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Easton, in the County of Bristol, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Easton qualified to vote in elections and town affairs to meet in the Oliver Ames High School Auditorium in said Easton on Monday, the fifth day of March, next, at 8:00 o'clock P. M. then and there to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the Selectmen, Assessors, Board of Public Welfare, Board of Health, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, School Committee, Town Accountant, Tree Warden and any committee of the Town and take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the Town Charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Public Welfare or the Board of Old Age Assistance to appoint one of their members to the position of investigator and to determine his compensation to be paid from grant of Federal Aid.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Memorial Day and Armistice Day to be expended under the direction of Elijah A. Morse Camp, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, George S. Shepard Post No. 7, American Legion, and George F. Schindler Post No. 2547, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the Financial Year beginning January 1, 1946, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to use from surplus revenue to reduce the tax levy for the current year.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 for payments of War Allowances World War #2 or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for a fund to be known as the Emergency Defense Fund to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen for the purpose of defraying the cost and expenses which may be incurred in order to secure such equipment and facilities as may be deemed necessary to protect the interest of the Town because of the present National Emergency.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to accept as laid out by the Selectmen, a portion of Elm Street at or near the corner of King Avenue, as shown on a plan on file at the Town Clerk's Office.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 1 of Article 2 of the By-Laws of the Town so that Section 1 of Article 2 of said By-Laws will read as follows: "There shall be a Finance Committee of fifteen members, which committee shall be elected at the Annual Town election for a term of one year."

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to insert in the By-Laws of the Town the following new section to be known as Section 1A of Article 2:

Article 2, Section 1A: The said committee shall fill any vacancy which may occur in its membership, by vote, an attested copy of which shall be sent by the secretary to the Town Clerk. The term of office of any person so chosen to fill a vacancy shall be for the unexpired term of the member in whose office such vacancy originally occurred.

ARTICLE 12. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Easton, qualified to vote in elections residing in Precinct One, to meet at the Furnace Village School; those residing in Precinct Two, to meet at the High School Auditorium; and those residing in Precinct Three, to meet at the South Easton School House, on Monday, the 12th day of March next at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon to bring in their votes all on one ballot for one member of the Board of Assessors, for a term of three years; one member of the Board of Health, for a term of three years; and two members of the School Committee for a term of three years; Moderator, three Selectmen, three members of the Board of Public Welfare, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Tree Warden, and a Finance Committee of fifteen, all for a term of one year. The Polls will be open at 10:00 o'clock A. M. and shall be closed at 8:00 o'clock P. M.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at each meeting house and post office in said Town, and one at the Oliver Ames High School Auditorum seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting, and said Town Clerk is hereby required to make return of this warrant to the Warden or Deputy Warden at the time and place of holding said meeting for the election of officers, and said Warden is hereby required to make return of this warrant to the Town Clerk, together with his return of officers elected at the close of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 15th day of February in the year nineteen hundred and forty-five.

EDGAR W. BALDWIN,
DENIS C. BROPHY,
ALBERT E. WOOD,
Selectmen of Easton.

REPORT OF AN AUDIT OF THE ACCOUNTS OF THE TOWN OF EASTON

For the Period from July 3, 1941, to November 20, 1943

Made in Accordance with the Provisions of

Chapter 44, General Laws

MARCH 17, 1944

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Department of Corporations and Taxation
Division of Accounts
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON

Henry F. Long, Commissioner
Theodore N. Waddell, Director of Accounts

March 17, 1944

To the Board of Selectmen

Mr. Edgar W. Baldwin, Chairman
Easton, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Easton for the period from July 3, 1941, to November 20, 1943, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Herman B. Dine, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

THEODORE N. WADDELL,
Director of Accounts.

Mr. Theodore N. Waddell
Director of Accounts
Department of Corporations and Taxation
State House, Boston

Sir:

As directed by you, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Easton for the period from July 3, 1941, the date of the previous examination, to November 20, 1943, and report thereon as follows:

The financial transactions of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town or committing bills for collection were examined and checked for the audit period.

The books and accounts of the town accountant were examined and checked. The ledger accounts were analyzed, the recorded receipts were compared with the treasurer's cash book, while the payments as recorded were checked with the treasurer's cash book and the treasury warrants.

The appropriation accounts were checked with the appropriations voted by the town as listed from the town clerk's records, and the recorded transfers from the reserve fund were checked with the records of the finance committee authorizing same.

The assessors' computations of the tax levies of 1942 and 1943 were drawn off and checked to the ledger accounts.

The necessary adjusting entries resulting from the audit were made, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town on November 20, 1943.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts were analyzed and compared with the accountant's books, with departmental records, and with other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, while the payments were checked with the selectmens warrants authorizing the disbursement of town funds. The cash book footings were proved, and the balance on November 20, 1943, was verified by reconciliation of the bank balances with statements furnished by the banks of deposit, by actual count of cash in the office, and by examination of the savings bank book.

The payments on account of maturing debt and interest were checked with the amounts falling due and with the cancelled securities and coupons on file.

The securities and savings bank books representing the investment of the trust funds in the custody of the trustees of the Oliver Ames Highway and School Funds, of the town treasurer, and of the selectmen were examined, the income being proved and the transfers to the town being verified.

The records of tax titles held by the town were examined and checked. The additions to the tax title account were compared with the collector's records, the reported redemptions were checked, and the accounts were checked to the deeds on file, reconciled with the accountant's ledger account, and checked with the records in the Registry of Deeds.

The books and accounts of the tax collector for the town and districts were examined and checked. The accounts outstanding at the time of the previous examination and all subsequent commitments were audited and compared with the assessors' warrants for their collection. The recorded payments to the treasurer were checked to the treasurer's cash book, the abatements as recorded were checked with the assessor's record of abatements granted, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the town accountant's ledger.

Verification of the outstanding taxes was made by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, and from the replies received thereto it appears that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The selectmen's records of licenses for the town and the town clerk's records of licenses and fees for the town, of dog licnses for the county and of hunting and fishing licenses for the State were examined, and the recorded payments to the town treasurer and to the Division of Fisheries and Game were verified.

The records of charges by the police, fire, tree, health, highway, public welfare, state aid, and school departments were examined and proved. The recorded abatements or disallowances were verified, the payments to the treasurer were checked, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled.

In addition to the departments and accounts mentioned, the records of all other departments collecting money for the town were examined and the payments to the treasurer were verified.

The surety bonds of the several officials required by law to furnish same for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

There are appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's and the tax collector's cash, summaries of the town and district taxes, tax titles, and departmental accounts, as well as tables showing the transactions and condition of the trust funds.

During the progress of the audit, cooperation was received from the several officials, for which, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, I wish to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE,
Assistant Director of Accounts.

BALANCE SHEET—November 20, 1943

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash:		
General	$94,673.40	
Special—Memorial Playground Fund	12,346.80	
Advance—Collector	100.00	
		$107,120.20
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1941	$105.19	
Levy of 1942	6,266.17	
Levy of 1943	24,348.78	
		30,720.14
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:		
Levy of 1942	$106.42	
Levy of 1943	321.73	
		428.15
North Easton District Taxes:		
Levy of 1941	$6.99	
Levy of 1942	157.84	
Levy of 1943	226.78	
		391.61
South Easton and Eastondale District Taxes:		
Levy of 1941	$ .93	
Levy of 1942	54.84	
Levy of 1943	224.99	
		280.76

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Federal Tax Deductions		$909.60
State Parks and Reservations Assessment—Overestimate		6.31
Road Machinery Fund		1,905.13
Memorial Playground Fund		12,346.80
Oliver Ames Highway Fund Income		1,304.28
Oliver Ames School Fund Income		4,155.15
Sale of Real Estate Fund		5,071.00
County—Dog Licenses		354.00
Special Recoveries—Old Age Assistance		93.86
Federal Grant Balances:		
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Administration	$288.09	
Aid	2,699.70	
Old Age Assistance:		
Administration	515.98	
Assistance	26,340.48	
		29,844.25
Appropriation Balances		31,632.56
Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus		4,924.88
Overlays Reserved for Abatement of Taxes:		
Levy of 1940	$40.29	
Levy of 1941	3,543.74	
Levy of 1942	2,884.30	
Levy of 1943	3,197.70	
		9,666.03

ASSETS

Unionville District Taxes:		
Levy of 1942	$44.75	
Levy of 1943	358.99	
		403.74
Easton Center District Taxes:		
Levy of 1941	$5.51	
Levy of 1942	86.65	
Levy of 1943	232.66	
		324.82
Water Liens Added to Taxes 1943:		
South Easton and Eastondale District		63.29
Tax Titles:		
Town	$2,568.10	
North Easton District	23.31	
South Easton and Eastondale District	5.65	
Unionville District	15.91	
Easton Center District	7.30	
		2,620.27
Departmental:		
Police	$43.00	
Health	382.26	
Temporary Aid	840.90	
Old Age Assistance	33.25	
School	60.68	
		1,360.09
Estimated Receipts—to be Collected		375.82
County Tax—Underestimate		992.62
		$145,081.51

LIABILITIES

Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	$428.15	
Tax Title	2,568.10	
Departmental	1,360.09	
		4,356.34
Revenue Pledged to Districts When Collected:		
North Easton District	$391.61	
North Easton District Tax Title	23.31	
South Easton and Eastondale District	280.76	
South Easton and Eastondale District Tax Title	5.65	
Unionville District	403.74	
Unionville District Tax Title	15.91	
Easton Center District	324.82	
Easton Center District Tax Title	7.30	
Water Liens	63.29	
		1,516.39
Surplus Revenue		36,994.93
		$145,081.51

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Fund or Fixed Debt	$69,000.00	School Loans	$69,000.00

TRUST ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds, Cash and Securities:		Oliver Ames Highway Fund—Second		$25,654.05
In Custody of Trustees	$339,929.89	Oliver Ames School Fund		314,275.84
In Custoday of Town Treasurer	8,390.82			
In Custody of Selectmen	12,139.18			$339,929.89
		Young Scholarship Fund	$3,038.45	
		Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	5,352.37	
				8,390.82
		Hiram P. and Mary L. Drake General Cemetery Fund	$10,685.75	
		Hiram P. and Mary L. Drake Special Cemetery Fund	632.25	
		Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	821.18	
				12,139.18
	$360,459.89			$360,459.89

ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTEENTH

ANNUAL REPORT
of the
SCHOOL COMMITTEE

and the Fifty-ninth from the office of the
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
of the
TOWN OF EASTON
MASSACHUSETTS

For the Year Ending December 31

1944

Annual Report of the School Committee

To the citizens of Easton:

The School Committee herewith submits the one hundred and seventeenth annual report.

Teachers' Salaries

Viewed over a long period of time, it will be found that teachers' salaries follow in general the trend of general business conditions, lagging usually a year or two behind this trend. The salary cuts imposed in 1932 were gradually restored between 1937 and 1942. In 1943 a "cost of living" increase of $100 was granted all teachers. A second such increase was granted in 1944, for a total of $200 per year. Even with this increase it was difficult to retain some of our good teachers, and equally difficult to find satisfactory replacements for those who left.

At the suggestion of the Superintendent of Schools, the School Committee voted to invite the Easton Teachers' Club to submit a salary schedule which they considered would work for the best interests of the schools. The Teachers' Club Salary Committee in turn requested Dr. Herbert Blair to assist them. Dr. Blair was formerly superintendent of schools at Schenectady, New York, and Professor of School Administration at Boston University, and is now employed as Director of Research and Personnel Service by the Massachusetts Teachers' Federation. They had several meetings with Dr. Blair. On June 5, the Teachers' Club Committee appeared before the School Committee and submitted their proposed schedule.

During the summer and fall the School Committee studied this schedule in detail, determined its effect on future annual budgets and compared it with the schedules of other towns in this area. On October 9 we met with Dr. Blair for a general discussion of the problem. On November 6 it was voted to make certain modifications in the schedule as submitted by the salary committee of the Teachers' Club, and to adopt it as modified. The principal changes were (1) the lowering of the proposed minimum salaries for both men and women, the former by $300 and the latter by $100 or $200 depending on whether or not the teacher possessed a bachelor's degree, (2) the increasing of the number of annual increments necessary to reach the maximum salaries, and (3) the elimination of the proposed single salary schedule for women and the substitution of one schedule for elementary women teachers and a second for high school women teachers.

The schedule as adopted includes the following features:

(1) Sets maximum salaries for elementary women teachers at $1800 and for high schol women teachers at $1900, while retaining the old maximum of $2300 for men teachers.

(2) Provides an incentive for teachers to take professional improvement courses by allowing them temporary increases of $100 for each of two years following the completion in a satisfactory manner of approved courses at a summer school session.

(3) Allows a permanent $100 increase for teachers possessing a master's degree.

(4) Provides somewhat more liberal sick leave allowances, while at the same time setting a definite figure beyond which the school department budget will not be called upon to make payments.

(5) Allows $100 extra pay for teachers in the High School who are designated as department heads.

(6) Places special supervisors (music, art) on the same basis as High School department heads.

The new schedule provides salaries about on a level with those which will be paid by towns of this area, and should be a big factor in stabilizing the teaching staff during this turbulent period. It will not, however, enable us to compete with the larger communities for their services. In Brockton, for example, according to published reports, the maximum salary for women teachers without a degree is $2150 and for those with degrees $2450, and if they possess a master's degree they can go to $2650. Men teachers in Brockton with a bachelor's degree can go to $2850, or if they have a master's degree, to $3050.

The new schedule will not greatly affect the total salary item in our budget in 1945, partly because it will not go into effect until next September, and partly because we plan to make a reduction in the number of teachers. It is our judgment that the best interests of the children will be served by keeping the number of teachers at an absolute minimum and using the money thus saved to pay better salaries. Last year's School Department Budget allowed $75,100 for teachers' salaries. Actually $72,846.26 was expended for this purpose. The salary budget proposed for 1945 calls for $74,607.00—a figure lower than the salary item in last year's budget.

Changes in Organization

School enrollments in general are shrinking. This is due to the declining birth rate which set in shortly after the first world war and became marked during the depression years. In Easton the decline in school enrollment has not been very great until the last three years, and even now is largely confined to the first three grades, with some decline in the High School enrollment due to attractive pay in industry and to selective service. While the higher birth rate of the war years will to some extent offset this decline, the fact remains that we will have these three small classes with us until their high school graduation years are reached. The Massachusetts Federation of Taxpayers' Associations makes the claim that in a few years there will be about 80,000 fewer pupils in the upper grades of the public schools of Massachusetts. In Easton the October 1 enrollment has dropped from 1143 in 1940 to 1020 in 1944.

The decline has been greatest in the Poquanticut School, South Easton School and North Easton Grammar School. Last September we closed one room at the South Easton School, thereby eliminating one teaching position. This was an undesirable step from the educational point of view, as it made this school a two-room school with three grades in a room. However, the small enrollment did not justify the employment of three teachers.

Beginning next September we plan to close the Poquanticut School until such time as the number of pupils in that district justifies its re-opening. The number of pupils in the Special Class at the North Easton Grammar School has dropped below the minimum of ten which would require us to continue the class, and we propose to close this room at the end of the school year in June. We also plan to discontinue the half-time position at the North Easton Grammar School by using a teacher from the Junior-Senior High School for this work.

These changes will result in eliminating three and a half teaching positions and will reduce the salary budget about as much as the new salary schedule will increase it.

There has been a sharp increase in the enrollment in the Unionville School. This school is now operated as a one-room school with four grades. If the increase continues, it may be advisable to keep grades 5 and 6 at that building and to operate the school as a two-room school. In fact, the School Committee has gone on record as being in favor of re-opening the second room at that building at such time as the enrollment warrants a two-room school in that section.

Repairs and Improvements

Present day conditions continue to be unfavorable for an extensive building repair program. Prices are high and labor and materials are scarce. We have kept the roofs and exteriors of our school buildings in good repair, but have been forced to neglect the interior refinishing of classrooms and corridors, as we pointed out in last year's report.

In 1944 we completed the re-roofing of the Unionville School, made repairs to the flat roofs of the North Easton Grammar School, painted the exterior of the Poquanticut School, replaced the grates and made other repairs to the heater at the South Easton School, and replaced the sump pump in the boiler pit at the South Easton School. Water pipes in the basement of the original part of the High School were changed so that much of the old pipe, which was constantly giving trouble, was eliminated, as was one water meter. In addition, numerous minor repairs were made.

A stoker was installed in connection with the heating plant at the Eastondale School. This stoker enables one man to do the janitor work at both the South Easton and Eastondale Schools and eliminates the necessity of giving him help in firing the boilers on cold winter mornings.

An Ediphone transcribing unit was purchased for the Commercial Department at the High School. Some work was done to improve the playground at the South Easton School, and a small platform or stage was built in the empty classroom at that building.

Repairs, replacement of furniture and furnishings, and permanent improvements made in 1944 are summarized in the following table:

School	Repairs	Furniture and Furnishings	Permanent Improvements
Junior-Senior High School	$ 986.91	$307.11	$222.86
North Easton Grammar School	417.82		
South Easton School	477.59	15.35	133.90
Eastondale School	249.12		567.00
Furnace Village School	118.73		
Unionville School	481.64		
Poquanticut School	250.70		
	$2982.51	$322.46	$923.76

The condition of one of the boilers at the North Easton Grammar School is such that the boiler inspectors demand that it be replaced next summer. This item will cost $1250. We plan to paint the exterior of the new school at Furnace Village and to refinish four classrooms and the central offices at the High School. The usual amount of minor repair work will have to be done. Our plans call for overhauling twenty-five typewriters which are becoming older than we formerly allowed our typewriter equipment to become, because like automobiles new ones are not available. A rectifier for the clock and bell system at the High School should be installed, to replace the present battery.

We hope that the refinishing of four classrooms and the central offices at the High School building will be the start of a program of interior redecoration which will continue permanently. In this way costs will be distributed so that they will not greatly influence the budget total, while at the same time our school rooms and corridors will be kept in proper condition.

New Transportation Contracts

Last June our three-year contracts for pupil transportation expired. These contracts were secured on the basis of competitive bids early in the spring of 1941, when conditions were much more favorable for low figures than at the present time. Specifications for new contracts were prepared and advertisements requesting bids were placed in three nearby papers early last spring. The only bids secured, however, were those of the present contractors. As was to be expected, their figures were much higher than those of three years ago. The daily rate of Mitrano Chevrolet Company jumped from the base rate under the old contract of $26.88 daily to a new base rate of $39.90, or an increase of 48%. The rate of Willis G. Buck is up from $8.50 to $10.90 (on Option B now in use), an increase of 28%. The cost per mile in each case is now slightly over 30c.

New contracts for the three year period were signed with the above named contractors. The new rates make our annual bill for pupil transportation total about $10,000,—an important factor in the increase in our total budget.

In Memoriam

The School Committee records with sadness the deaths of two individuals who have had a marked influence on public education in Easton.

On October 7, 1944, occurred the death of Miss Mary F. Conley. Miss Conley was a graduate of the Easton Training

School. In 1896 she was appointed a teacher in the old District No. 7, which comprised most of North Easton Village. She served continuously as an intermediate and upper elementary grade teacher until 1917, when she was transferred to the old Junior High School. In 1918 she was made acting principal, and shortly thereafter principal, of the Junior High School. She served in this capacity until 1930, when the Junior High School was merged with the Senior High School to form the present Junior-Senior High School. She was then made assistant principal of the Junior-Senior High School. She retired in 1937, after an active teaching career of 41 years. Miss Conley brought to her school work unusual devotion and a high degree of ability. She was keenly interested in the individual pupil and his problems, and many a young person was started in the right direction by her sympathetic interest and guidance.

Heman Howard, a school committee member for twelve years, passed away on January 12, 1945. Mr. Howard was first elected to the School Committee in 1899 and served a term of three years. In 1929 he again became a member of the committee and served for nine years, retiring in 1938. During the last five years of his service he served as chairman. He was also a member of the building committee which had charge of the construction of the additions to the High School and the North Easton Grammar School and of the new school at Eastondale in 1930, and he gave a great deal of time and thought to those projects. He was active in promoting interest in the construction of the new school at Furnace Village, but retired from the Committee before actual construction on that building was started. In all his work as a member of the School Committee he was painstaking in promoting the welfare of the schools, and he gave liberally of his time and energy to the town's educational problems

Finances

School committees everywhere are faced with rising costs of educational services and supplies, just as the individual citizen is faced with rising living costs. This is an unavoidable consequence of the inflationary tendency which accompanies a war economy. The armed forces and attractive wages in industry have removed many individuals from the teaching field. Similar causes have resulted in smaller enrollments in teacher-training institutions. Salaries of teachers have to go up to meet the competition for their services from other towns. The new transportation contracts, as already pointed out, are much higher than formerly, and will cost the town for this service alone some $3700 more than in 1944.

Our total budget for 1945 is $4692.99 higher than our 1944 expenditures, and the appropriation requested is $5149.40 greater than the 1944 appropriation. The increase is accounted for by four items,—salaries of teachers, maintenance of buildings and grounds, transportation of pupils, and boiler insurance.

The question may well be asked as to whether or not these increases are general. A survey of thirteen nearby towns, ranging in population from 2500 to 9000, made on January 10 showed that budget increases ranging from a low of $3000 to a high of $14,000 are being proposed. Comparisons with the budget programs of other towns are helpful. Furthermore, study of just how the funds are used, in comparison with the way other towns use their school funds, is desirable. The following figures pertain to expenditures and pupil-teacher ratios in the 85 towns (not cities) of the state, having a population of 5000 or more, for the school year ending June 30, 1944, and are taken from figures prepared by the Massachusetts Teachers' Federation from the Annual School Returns to the State Department of Education:

	Low Town	Median Town	High Town	Easton
General Control, % of total budget	2.0	4.1	6.3	4.8
Teachers' Salaries, % of total budget	59.1	67.2	76.6	64.8
Textbooks, % of total budget	.07	1.5	2.7	1.8
Janitors' Wages, % of total budget	4.1	7.4	10.6	7.6
Fuel, % of total budget	1.5	3.7	6.5	3.1
Repairs, % of total budget	.03	2.9	7.6	3.1
Health (nurse, etc.) % of total budget	.02	1.6	3.8	2.7

Cost per Pupil in Average Membership	$85.65	$116.13	$178.26	$105.71
Cost per Pupil, grades 1-6	65.75	93.83	161.13	89.16
Cost per Pupil, grades 7-9	79.07	120.47	175.71	98.81
Cost per Pupil, grades 10-12	88.59	149.09	230.08	137.65
Tax for Schools per $1000 valuation	7.16	12.95	24.20	16.28
Pupils per teacher, total enrollment	20.8	25.5	33.0	25.6
Pupils per teacher, grades 1-6	19.7	27.7	35.9	28.0
Pupils per teacher, grades 7-9	19.9	25.2	35.5	25.2
Pupils per teacher, grades 10-12	14.3	21.7	26.8	20.8

These figures show that in the way we use our budget, in the cost per pupil and in the ratio of pupils to teachers, Easton is in no case out of line, and in most factors we fall into a position near the median town.

The details of our 1945 Budget and of expenditures for 1944 are shown below:

	Expended 1944		Needed 1945	
General		$1,717.20		$1,825.00
School Committee				
Office Expense	114.32		100.00	
Telephone	102.88		100.00	
Superintendent's Expense				
Travelling Expense	250.00		250.00	
Supervisor of Attendance	100.00		125.00	
Clerk	1,150.00		1,250.00	
Salaries of Teachers		72,846.26		74,607.00
Textbooks		1,591.86		1,600.00
Supplies		2,360.69		2,600.00
Operating Expenses		15,287.35		14,947.00
Janitors' Wages	8,245.01		8,095.00	
Fuel	4,467.10		4,330.00	
Janitors' Supplies	962.51		950.00	
Water	208.44		210.00	

Electricity	1,149.39		1,100.00	
Miscellaneous School Plant	254.90		262.00	
Maintenance		3,304.97		4,608.00
Repairs	2,982.51		3,255.00	
Furniture & Furnishings	322.46		813.00	
Library		159.81		150.00
Health		2,889.19		2,939.00
Salary Physician	755.00		725.00	
Salary Nurse	1,843.31		1,884.00	
Transportation	275.00		275.00	
Supplies	10.48		40.00	
Miscellaneous	5.40		15.00	
Transportation		7,923.32		10,057.00
Tuition		165.95		150.00
Sundries		1,859.65		2,570.00
General	178.82		170.00	
Graduation	102.00		100.00	
Insurance	1,578.83		2,300.00	
Outlay		923.76		210.00
Permanent Improvement	133.90		175.00	
New Equipment	789.86		35.00	
		$111,030.01		$115,723.00

BUDGET SUMMARY

A. 1944

(1) Appropriation, March, 1944		$104,401.00
(2) Receipts, Oliver Ames School Fund		
Carried from 1943	$ 6.04	
Received in 1944	14,795.57	
	14,801.61	
Less amount applied on Bond Account	8,000.00	
Available for operating expenses		6,801.61
(3) Total available for support of schools		111,202.61

(4) Total expended during 1944	111,030.01
(5) Balance	$ 172.60

B. 1945

(1) Town Appropriation, requested	$109,550.40
(2) Estimated from Oliver Ames School Fund in 1945, after setting aside $8000.00 for Bond Account	6,000.00
(3) Carried from 1944 in Ames Fund Account	172.60
(4) Amount of Total Budget	$115,723.00

C. In 1944 the following sums were received by the town on account of its schools for the current year and went into the general fund of the town treasury:

From the State, tuition and transportation of State Wards	$ 1,851.51
From the State, on account of teachers' salaries	10,444.00
From the State, as reimbursement in part for tuition paid trade schools	57.87
From the Town of Stoughton, tuition	120.71
From the City of Boston, tuition	90.87
From H. A. Richards, Norton, tuition	75.83
From the Town of Sharon, tuition	96.09
From rental of hall	36.00
From supplies sold, mimeograph work, etc.	126.48
	$ 12,899.36

D. If the above amount could be applied to the 1945 budget, the cost to the town by direct taxes for the year would be $96,651.04 ($109,550.40 minus $12,899.36 equals $96,651.04).

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR F. ANDERSON, Chairman
ALICE K. BRIGGS
ROGER A. McNAMARA
HORACE H. MITCHELL
EDGAR W. WATTS

January 18, 1945.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee of Easton:

It is once more my privilege to submit my annual report as Superintendent of Schools. This is the fifty-ninth in the series of annual reports from this office, and the twentieth in this series prepared by the present writer. Once again it reports school activities during a war year,—one of the most terrible years of modern history. While nearly every home has been reached by the long arm of selective service, and while business and industry have felt the pressure and the restrictions of a war economy, the schools have continued to carry on in a manner approaching normal. The school life of our boys and girls has been less disturbed by war conditions than we had thought possible when the war started. It is highly gratifying that this is so, for they are entitled to all the youthful normalcy with which we adults can surround them.

To be sure, war activities have entered the schools, but they have not too seriously interfered with their efficiency. We have been able to secure the necessary supplies and fuel, and our teaching staff has been held to the same high standards of pre-war years. In this respect the schools of Easton have undoubtedly fared better than they did in the comparably short World War I. Selective service has removed from our student body most eighteen-year-old boys, and the seventeen-year-olds must look forward to spending some time in a military uniform. Curriculum adjustments have been made with these cases in mind, as was described in my report of a year ago.

Pupils are buying war savings stamps and bonds. They have from time to time participated in salvage drives. They have collected milk-weed pods to help take the place of kapoc for life preservers, the source of supply of which is now held by our enemies. Elementary children have participated in Junior Red Cross activities. Older boys have occasionally been dismissed from school, by arrangement with the High School principal, for emergency work such as food harvesting and carrying mail. In general, the schools have tried to cooperate with the war effort, but this has not interfered significantly with the general school program.

Changes in the Teaching Staff

Changes in the teaching staff during 1944 were fewer than they were in the preceding year, although somewhat more numerous than we had been experiencing in pre-war years. Eight teachers resigned during the year. One of these positions was not filled and seven new teachers were brought into the system to fill the other vacancies. In addition, Mrs. Esther Heath, originally employed as a substitute to fill a vacancy caused by a resignation late in the preceding calendar year, was given a regular appointment.

Fortunately all resignations received during 1944, with one exception, were effective after schools closed in June. The break in instructional sequence which occurs when a teacher leaves in the middle of the school year was thus largely avoided. The teachers' salary schedule adopted last fall will do much, I believe, to reduce excessive changes in our teaching staff.

While several of the resignations of last summer were not received until late in the vacation period, at a time when most teachers who are available for new positions have been employed, all of our new teachers have fitted into their new positions in a satisfactory manner. I have been much pleased with the work of all of them.

Resignations were received during 1944 as follows:

(1) Florence M. Harris, principal of the Eastondale School and teacher of grades 5 and 6 there, who resigned to accept a position in the public schools of Lexington, after having taught most successfully in Easton for fifteen years.

(2) Mrs. Ruth Ganyard, teacher of grade 5 at the North Easton Grammar School, who accepted a teaching position in Wilmington, where her husband is pastor of a church.

(3) Raakel Hamalainen, fourth grade teacher at the North Easton Grammar School, who accepted a position in the Belmont public schools.

(4) Dorothy Sherman, primary teacher at the Eastondale School, who was elected to a position in the public schools of Hyannis.

(5) Hazel Prescott, head of the mathematics department of the High School, who accepted a position with a Boston statistical firm.

(6) Mrs. Florence O'Leary, teacher of the fifth and sixth grades at the South Easton School.

(7) Mrs. Anna Veilleux, primary teacher at the Furnace Village School.

(8) Mrs. Juliet Sell, teacher of grades 3 and 4 at the South Easton School.

New teachers were employed as follows:

(1) Mary Cavan of Haverhill, a graduate of Regis College with an A. B. degree and of Boston University with the degree of M. Ed., was engaged as teacher of mathematics in the High School, succeeding Miss Prescott. Miss Cavan taught three years in Stafford Springs, Conn., and Framingham before coming to Easton.

(2) June Canegaly of Easton, a graduate of Oliver Ames High School and Bridgewater State Teachers College, with one year's teaching experience in the schools of West Bridgewater, was engaged for the fourth grade position at North Easton Grammar School vacated by Miss Hamalainen.

(3) Priscilla Hayward of Easton, a graduate of the local high school and of Bridgewater State Teachers College, was secured as teacher of grades 3 and 4 at the Eastondale School. Miss Hayward taught last year in Northfield.

(4) Esther DeAvellar of Wellesley Hills, a graduate of Bridgewater State Teachers College, with one year's teaching experience, was employed as teacher of grades 1 and 2 at Eastondale School. Miss DeAvellar taught last year in Bellingham.

(5) Marie Porter of West Bridgewater, a graduate of Eastern State Normal School at Castine, Maine, was secured as teacher of the primary room at Furnace Village School. Miss Porter has taught three years previously in Maine.

(6) Mrs. Karolyn R. Fisher of Braintree was employed as teacher of the fourth, fifth and sixth grade room at South Easton School. Mrs. Fisher is a graduate of the North Adams Normal School and has a bachelor's degree from Bridgewater State Teachers College. Before her marriage she had taught ten years, the last of which were as a critic teacher of the Training School at Hyannis State Teachers College.

(7) Irene M. Fitzpatrick of Melrose was engaged for the fifth grade position at North Easton Grammar School formerly held by Mrs. Ganyard. Miss Fitzpatrick is a graduate of Lowell State Teachers College, with two years' teaching experience.

(8) Mrs. Esther J. Heath of Easton, a graduate of Bridgewater and a former teacher in Easton, Brockton and New Jersey, completed the school year last spring as substitute teacher at the Furnace Village School, and was engaged as regular teacher and principal of that building, effective with the opening of schools in September.

Miss Lucille L. Marvill was transferred from the third and fourth grade position to the fifth and sixth grade position at the Eastondale School, and made principal of the building, beginning with the opening of schools in September.

School Attendance Problems

In my 1942 report I called attention to the problem of school attendance and the tendency away from the very high attendance standards of former years. Our percentage of attendance for the school year 1943-44 was slightly under 92. This is at least two points lower than it should be. A few years ago we had an attendance percentage which placed us in the upper tenth of the communities of the state in this respect.

There are at least three factors which have produced this undesirable condition. The first is the situation where both parents are working, resulting in less close parental supervision of the children, with the result that they are absent unnecessarily, or are ill more than they would be with better care. The second is our attempt to encourage pupils with symptoms of colds or other types of illness to remain at home. The net result of this policy should be better attendance, because it should help to prevent the spread of infection. However, our suspicion that some parents and pupils have taken unfair advantage of this plan and keep children at home when more convenient to them has been borne out in many instances. Another factor is the attitude of numerous parents and pupils regarding attendance on days when they feel the "no-school" signal should be sounded. It is our policy to use the "no-school" signal only when weather conditions are extremely severe. The result is that schools are in session on some days when parents and pupils feel they should not be. We have asked parents to use their own judgment as to whether or not their children shall attend school on such days. We still adhere to that proposal, but we know that in many instances this request is abused. Frequently it is the pupils who live nearer the school buildings who are the worst offenders. Parents, and not pupils, should make the decision as to whether or not weather conditions are so bad that the pupils should be absent from school. This decision should depend not only on the severity of the weather, but also on the health of the pupil and on how thoroughly he is equipped with stormy weather clothing.

The seriousness of a poor attendance record for the individual pupil should be obvious. Upon his return to school following an absence, he is expected to "make up" the work missed. By the very nature of things this cannot be done completely. He will have missed the class discussions and the teacher is unable to use the same amount of time with him that she did in developing the lesson material in the class period.

It is the responsibility of the parent to see to it that his children are in school regularly. Sickness and intolerable weather conditions are about the only valid excuses for absence from school. Most parents discharge this responsibility wisely, but there are too many who do not. In my opinion, too many are affected by "radio psychology". They will hear "no-school" announcements over the radio for other towns, and regardless of local conditions they feel that schools here should also be closed. Weather conditions vary widely over even limited areas. The efficiency of our highway department in clearing snow from streets is matched by few towns in this section of the state, and this is another factor in determining whether or not schools will be in session.

The state law requires high schools to be in session 180 days per school year. The usual school calendar allows only two or three days in excess of 180. If we close schools for more than this number of days, the extra days will have to be made up at the end of the school year. The school year might thus be prolonged into the week of what would normally be the first week of the summer vacation.

Curriculum Development

Social Studies. The new outline in social studies for the elementary grades, which has been developed over a period of several years, was in use during the school year ending last June. The outline for the first four grades had been completed, except for the details of correlating it with other subjects, before schools opened in September, 1943, but the outline for grades 5 and 6 was not in complete form at that time. It was completed during the school year, with the exception of the correlations noted above, and was duplicated and placed in the hands of teachers last September. A committee of teachers is now at work developing these correlations, which will be included in the outline. One new unit was added to the third grade outline. In general, I believe that the outline is proving helpful and satisfactory. It definitely is an improvement over anything we have had in the past. The fourth grade units, which are concerned with our Western Hemisphere neighbors, are perhaps most open to criticism. The outline consists of five to seven units per grade, does away with the use of basal textbooks and, as noted, provides for correlations with other school subjects. It contains 111 closely typed pages.

Reading in grades 7 and 8. The teaching of reading and the development of adequate reading skills is one of the big jobs of the elementary schools. Modern methods of teaching, with the emphasis on "activities", "units of work", and extensive reading, have increased the need of highly developed reading skills on the part of every child. The early school tended to look at the subject of reading in the elementary curriculum as an end in itself; the modern school emphasizes good reading habits and skills so that the pupil will be equipped to participate successfully in school and adult activities which put such great demands on reading ability.

It is all too frequently assumed that the teaching of reading can be completed at the end of the sixth grade. Junior high school English courses have far too frequently confined themselves to the teaching of grammar, composition and appreciation of literature. In fact, the teacher trained in the liberal arts college has too little understanding of methods of teaching reading to do otherwise. We are fortunate that the two teachers who handle English instruction in grades 7 and 8 of our Junior-Senior High School are Normal School or Teachers College graduates who have received training in methods of teaching reading and who have had experience in teaching reading in the elementary grades. This, and the fact that our seventh and eighth grade English classes are scheduled for seven periods weekly instead of the conventional five, has made possible the continuance of basic reading instruction through grade 8.

The English curriculum now in operation in grades 7 and 8 includes the following features, in addition to instruction in penmanship, spelling and functional grammar:

1. Systematic, continuous training in basic reading skills. This is in effect a continuation of the instruction in

reading given in the elementary grades. It is largely work-type reading, given to insure the pupil's comprehension of the material he reads and to help him to adjust his rate of reading to his purpose in reading it.

2. Much reading of traditional and modern literature under the guidance of the teacher, to develop powers of comprehension, appreciation and appraisal. This is the usual literature phase of the English course.

3. Much "free" reading by individual pupils in accordance with their own personal tastes and interests. Pupils are guided by the State Library Reading Certificate List in their choice of books. When the pupil reads and reports on five books on the list he is awarded a State Library Reading Certificate by the Ames Free Library. After he has earned three of these certificates he begins to work for his Honor Certificate by reading and reporting on non-fiction titles on the list, five of which, or a total of 20 books in all, qualify him for it. This extensive reading "just for fun" not only tends to make him permanently interested in reading good books, but by giving much practice in reading tends to improve his reading skills in much the same manner as much baseball practice tends to make the player more skillful.

4. Definite "corrective" reading instruction for those who need it. This is in addition to the basic reading instruction referred to above.

5. Incidental instruction whenever the need arises on word pronunciation and meaning, sounding words, using the dictionary and other reference works.

6. Encouraging teachers of other subjects to give specific training in special reading skills needed in studying the various subjects of the curriculum, especially in such items as the vocabulary of the particular subject, adjusting rate of reading to his purpose in reading the material, using reference works, organizing notes on material read, etc.

We confidently expect that this rather comprehensive drive for improved reading ability will produce better readers as these pupils go on to senior high school subjects. Indirectly this should result in better scholarship. The plan has already resulted in much wider reading by these pupils. Under the State Library Reading Certificate plan these pupils read approximately 1215 approved books in 1944, or about 8 per pupil.

Reading in grades 3 to 6. We are well equipped in all elementary grades with a wide variety of textbooks in reading which are thoroughly modern. We have made provision for definite correlations between reading instruction and the social studies. We have encouraged pupils in grades 4, 5 and 6 to earn State Library Reading Certificates under the plan described for grades 7 and 8 above. According to reports made by teachers, pupils in grades 4, 5 and 6 read a total of 2980 books on the State Library Reading Certificate List in 1944, or an average of 11 books per pupil. This wide reading is encouraged for the purpose of making permanent the pupil's reading interests and to improve his reading skills through much use of them. The scores made by our pupils in grades 3 to 6 inclusive last spring on the Nelson Silent Reading Test were well above the standard scores of the test.

Library Club. To encourage wide reading by elementary pupils in grades 3 and above, a Library Club has been formed. Membership in the Library Club is earned by winning the State Library Reading Honor Certificate described above. A meeting of Library Club members of all elementary schools is held at the end of the school year, when a social time and educational program, such as the showing of the screen dramatization of some good book of interest to intermediate grade children, is enjoyed.

Revision of the Course of Study in Reading. Our course outline in reading for grades 1 to 6 inclusive was last revised in 1939. A committee of teachers has begun a critical study and re-evaluation of the outline, and will make during the remaining months of the present school year revisions of portions of the outline where changes are needed. Our courses of study are bound in loose leaf binders, so that frequent revisions can be made without re-writing the entire outline. These courses of study are hectograph duplicated and furnished all elementary teachers.

The Course of Study for Health Education. Another committee of teachers is working on a new course of study in Health Education for the elementary grades. This course outline will cover all phases of health instruction, including, it is hoped, some definite outlining of work in physical education. At present we have no physical education supervisor for the elementary grades, making the need of a definite and workable course outline in this field especially needed.

The "So You Are Entering School" Bulletin. A committee including the school nurse, the kindergarten teacher and first grade teachers is preparing a bulletin of information to be given parents when they take their pre-school children to the annual summer round-up of children who will enter grade 1 the following September, or when their children enter kindergarten. This bulletin will contain much information which should be helpful to parents of children just entering school. It will be mimeographed, dressed up with pictures drawn and colored by students in the art department, and bound. It is expected that it will be ready for distribution when the annual round-up of pre-school children is held in May.

Vocational Education. There is little doubt that for some students the usual high school academic curriculum is inadequate. These pupils will profit more from vocational education, accompanied by courses in English and perhaps such courses as American history. Our shop work is exploratory and pre-vocational in nature, and makes no pretense of being vocational training. The same is true of our courses in Home Economics. Both fields, furthermore, are limited in general to pupils in grades 7 to 10 inclusive. Our commercial department offers work which is rather definitely vocational in nature.

It has been my contention that a small town is not in a favorable position to attempt vocational education, except as noted above. The development of vocational school centers in larger communities, to which boys needing or desiring vocational training could go for full-time or part-time instruction, would seem to be the solution for towns like Easton. Brockton would be the natural vocational school center for us. During the present school year a development intended as pre-induction training has occurred which may help to demonstrate the correctness of our position, and from which may grow the desired vocational school center. Five of our senior boys are excused from school for the last half of the school day and take fifteen hours per week of machine shop work in the Brockton Vocational School. This work at present is set up as a pre-induction course and is supported by the Federal government. Even the carfare of the boys is paid from this source. The work of these boys in the Vocational School is ranked by the Brockton instructors and their report is sent to the local high school each ranking period. The boys, upon completion of the course next spring, will receive seven and a half credits for this work toward their diploma from this high school. It would be highly desirable, in our opinion, if some arrangement such as this one could be worked out on a permanent, state-aided basis after the war, with the town being responsible for one-half the tuition costs.

Testing Program

In other annual reports I have discussed the use of standardized achievement tests. These tests measure reasonably well the level of achievement attained by the pupils, but do not always measure how well the pupils have achieved in the specific subject matter which they have covered. As long as the course of study used in a school system adheres to conventional lines, this problem may not be important. Our Easton elementary school curriculum does not depart from general practice in most subject matter fields, but does stray from the conventional in the Social Studies. Consequently it was decided early last spring to use home-made tests which could be objectively scored (i. e., scored from a key, without the element of teacher's judgment entering into the marks assigned). These tests were prepared, one for each grade, in language for grades 3 to 6 inclusive; in arithmetic, grades 3 through 6; in social studies, grades 3 to 6 inclusive; and in spelling, grades 2 through 6. Standard procedures, to be followed by all teachers, were worked out for giving and scoring the tests, and building and town median scores were computed for each grade. The town median served as the standard score. The pupils knew for some time in advance that the tests were to be given near the end of the school year and were greatly interested in them. They worked hard so that they would be in a position to obtain good scores. The tests had considerable diagnostic value as well as being in a crude way measures of achievement. They showed individual teachers where they had apparently over-emphasized or under-emphasized some phase of their teaching, and the test booklets of individual pupils proved helpful in many instances in analyzing pupil weaknesses.

While these home-made tests were laborious to prepare and to mimeograph, as well as laborious to score, they aroused so much interest on the part of pupils, and proved to be such a wholesome stimulus to them, that we plan to carry out a similar testing program in the spring of 1945.

The Nelson Silent Reading Test, a standardized commercial test, was given all pupils in grades 3 to 6 inclusive on June 2. Median grade scores earned by Easton pupils, and standard grade scores for this test were as follows:

Grade	Easton Median Grade Score	Standard Grade Score
3	4.0	3.9
4	5.7	4.9
5	7.8	5.9
6	8.3	6.9

Obviously the standard grade scores for this test are too low.

The Stanford Achievement Test was given all second grade pupils in June. This grade made a median grade score of 2.9 and the standard grade score for the test is 2.9.

Grade 1 was tested with the Metropolitan Achievement Test in June. The standard grade score was 1.9 and the Easton median score was 2.5.

Standardized achievement tests were also given to classes in the following subjects in the Junior-Senior High School in June: Solid Geometry, English (grades 9-12), Latin, French, Chemistry, Biology, Physics and Algebra. Results were generally satisfactory. In February the Gates Silent Reading Tests were given to all pupils in grades 7 and 8 in connection with the drive to improve reading skills. This battery of four tests measured four specific reading skills and was used primarily for its diagnostic value.

Oliver Ames High School Alumni

Every June adds on the average 55 or 60 or more young men and women to the alumni of Oliver Ames High School. The total number of graduates from the High School of this town is 2031. Of this number 241 were graduated before the Oliver Ames building was built and before the school became known as the Oliver Ames High School. In addition to 2031 graduates, an undetermined number probably greater than the number of graduates has attended the local high school without graduating. When it is considered that the population of the town is only a few hundred in excess of 5,000 persons, the place which this little institution holds in the life of the community, and the influence it has had on the lives of its people, assume imposing proportions.

When the writer was principal of the High School, he discussed with the members of the Class of 1924, shortly before their graduation, the place of an alumni association in the life of the school, and expressed the hope that that class would be the spark-plug in activating the dormant alumni association organization which existed at that time. However, while numerous class reunions have been carried out, the only general alumni meeting which has been held since that time was the meeting in June, 1930, at the time of the dedication of the addition to the High School building.

An active alumni association should be an asset to the High School and to its members. It serves to perpetuate the ties of friendship formed in school days. It brings together periodically friends and classmates who have become widely scattered geographically. It can be a stimulus to the undergraduates of the school by providing scholarships and awards for which students may compete. In turn, an alumni body needs the vitalizing influence which results from having something beyond its social function, such as awards for which to be responsible.

The School Report for 1928 lists on page 20 the number of graduates by classes from 1873 through 1928. Below are given corresponding figures for each year since that date.

1929—44
1930—59
1937—51
1938—65

1931—43
1932—56
1933—36
1934—52
1935—49
1936—48

1939—56
1940—57
1941—65
1942—52
1943—65
1944—55

School Enrollment

Citizens are hearing much about decreased enrollments in the schools, both locally and elsewhere. Below are actual October 1 enrollment figures, year by year since 1921, which show the extent of the decline in Easton.

Year	Elementary Schools	Junior-Senior High School	Total	% of Total in Junior-Senior High School
1921	769	393	1162	33.8
1922	758	412	1170	35.7
1923	696	437	1133	38.6
1924	700	481	1181	40.8
1925	678	485	1163	41.7
1926	634	479	1113	43.0
1927	641	446	1087	41.0
1928	659	452	1111	40.7
1929	655	451	1106	40.8
1930	654	437	1091	40.1
1931	684	443	1127	39.3
1932	679	447	1126	39.7
1933	674	451	1125	40.1
1934	680	437	1117	39.1
1935	666	461	1127	40.9
1936	670	458	1128	40.6
1937	673	473	1146	41.3
1938	643	476	1119	42.5
1939	628	478	1106	43.2
1940	649	494	1143	43.2
1941	626	493	1119	44.1
1942	600	476	1076	44.2
1943	563	454	1017	44.6
1944	568	454	1022	44.4

The gradual decline of the number of pupils in the elementary schools to a low figure of 563 in 1943 is significant, as well as the extent to which the enrollment in the Junior-Senior High School has held up during this period. The latter is explained by the fact that a greater percentage of pupils remain in high school for part or all of the high school course. The decline in the elementary school enrollment, which was accentuated by the extremely low birth rate during the depression years, has probably now been halted, and we shall look for small increases during the next few years.

Needs

Below are listed some of the needs of the schools as they appear at this time. None of these needs has been provided for in the 1945 budget. Some of them cannot be met until after the war. Several have been listed in previous reports but are repeated in this list.

(1) Some 75 or 80 double opera chairs are needed for the assembly room at the North Easton Grammar School. This assembly room has never been equipped with seating, and when needed chairs have been borrowed from the High School auditorium. Five or six hundred dollars will be required when this need is met.

(2) The school desks and seats at the North Easton Grammar School are of the screwed to the floor type, are nearly 35 years old and have desk tops which are small for present day needs. A program of gradual replacement, over a period of years, with portable desk and seat units should be started at the close of the war. This program of desk replacement should eventually apply to some rooms at the South Easton and Eastondale Schools.

(3) A continuing program of painting the interior of classrooms, corridors and auxiliary rooms in all our school buildings so that they will be kept in better condition than they are at present without undue expenditures from the budget of any one year. A full-time maintenance man might be the best solution to this problem, as it has proved to be in some school systems.

(4) Asphalt tile flooring laid over the present rough cement floor in the High School cafeteria to improve the appearance of the room, deaden the noise of the 275 stools in the room, and make possible a neater and cleaner condition of the floor. Part of this can be done from surplus receipts of the cafeteria.

(5) A more definite program of pupil guidance in the High School.

(6) More machine equipment in the Commercial Department of the High School.

(7) Considerable new wall map equipment.

In Conclusion

Many individuals and groups have contributed to the success of the schools during the past year. The Easton Lions Club has continued to sponsor the school Dental Clinic, as it has for many years. Mrs. Louis A. Frothingham again contributed greatly to the happiness of all elementary children of the town at Christmas time by providing Christmas parties for them. Miss Harriet V. Stone has continued her annual gift of books to the Mary A. Stone Library of the North Easton Grammar School. The Ames Free Library has continued, as in past years, to work in close cooperation with the schools. We are appreciative of the helpful and constructive attitude which the new librarian, Mrs. Smith, has demonstrated in her relations with teachers and pupils.

In closing my report I express to the staff of teachers and other workers in the schools my appreciation of their splendid cooperation; to the townspeople gratitude for the wholesome support extended; and to the members of the School Committee appreciation of their helpful and forward-looking attitude on all school problems.

Respectfully submitted,

GILBERT C. MANN.

January 20, 1945.

SCHEDULE OF "NO SCHOOL" SIGNALS

The sirens of both the North Easton and the South Easton fire stations will be used to sound the signal. The "no school" signal on the North Easton station will be two blasts sounded three times in succession (2-2-2). The "no school" signal on the South Easton station will be one long blast sounded either at 7:15 or 7:30 a. m. Signals will have the following meanings:

7:15 A.M.—No school all day at the Junior-Senior High School.

7:30 A.M.—No school all day in the elementary schols.

12:35 P. M.—No school for the afternoon session at the North Easton Grammar School.

"No school" signals will be used only when weather conditions are unusually severe. The scattered population of the town and the extensive pupil transportation system make it necessary to sound the signal, if at all, a considerable time in advance of the opening hour of school sessions. If occasionally happens that weather conditions which appear promising at the hour the signals should be sounded become severe by the time many pupils start for school. Parents are requested to use their own judgment in such cases as to whether or not a child should attend a school session. Absences from school under these circumstances will be marked in the school registers with a distinctive mark and will not be counted against the child's perfect attendance record on the report cards.

When school sessions are to be called off because of weather conditions, announcement will be made over radio stations WNAC and WEEI. Parents should tune their radios to one of these stations between 7:00 and 8:00 A. M. if in doubt as to whether or not schools are to be in session.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF OAKES AMES BEQUEST

For the Year Ending December 31, 1944

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand January 1, 1944	$ 2,115.37
Received for Bonds redeemed during 1944	
2000.00 American I. G. Chemical 5½/49	1,999.68
5000.00 Republic Steel 4½/56	5,199.10
2000.00 Utah Light and Traction	1,999.64
5000.00 Oregon Wash. R. R. & Navigatoin Co.	5,249.10
Interest received	4,118.75
	$20,681.64

EXPENDITURES

Doris W. Leach	$ 1,425.00		
Tax withheld	92.00	1,333.00	
Charles E. MacLeod	1,277.81		
Tax withheld	52.00	1,225.81	
Ruth G. Grant		250.00	
Gilbert C. Mann		200.00	
Collector of Internal Revenue		144.00	
Clerk (Elmer L. Randall)		50.00	
Fee for filing report with Probate		3.00	
Postage and Probate forms		3.75	
Rent of safe deposit box		18.00	
Supplies bought	363.59		
Less supplies sold	91.15	272.44	
Securities purchased as investment			
9000.00 Maine Central R. R.		9,000.00	
		$12,500.00	
Balance on hand December 31, 1944		8,181.64	
			$20,681.64

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL

STUDENT ACTIVITIES FUND

The funds of the various organizations, except the High School Cafeteria, of the Junior-Senior High School are kept in a single activities fund. Receipts and payments pass through the hands of the teacher designated to handle the fund, and all disbursements must be approved by the high school principal and the superintendent of schools.

Below is a statement showing the receipts and payments for the year ending December 31, 1944.

Funds	Balances Dec.31/44	1944 Receipts	1944 Payments	Balances Dec.31/44
Class of 1943	$ 24.74	$	$ 24.74	$ .....
Class of 1944	324.45	318.10	642.55	.....
Class of 1945	87.43	889.96	427.05	550.34
Class of 1946	50.52	324.58	222.82	152.28
Class of 1947	.....	96.90	30.93	65.97
Athletic Association	132.51	2,578.24	2,360.07	350.68
Eastoner	134.52	551.36	490.72	195.16
Easton Teachers' Club	189.07	431.60	487.33	133.34
General Fund	43.73	358.57	352.44	49.86
Student Council	67.58	441.12	269.79	238.91
Dramatic Fund	6.81	.....	6.81	.....
Amplifying System	65.00*	65.00	.....	.....
Junior High	234.81	639.22	541.40	332.63
School Music	31.85	433.21	410.68	54.38
	$1,263.02	$7,127.86	$6,267.33	$2,123.55

Check Book Balance	$1,469.58
Savings Bank	395.55
Junior High Savings Bank	10.42
Junior High Bonds	148.00
War Stamps on Hand	100.00
	$2,123.55

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF OLIVER AMES HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA

Receipts and Payments

1944

Balance on Hand December 31, 1943		$ 761.45
1944 Receipts		5,814.30
		$6,575.75
1944 Payments		5,379.24
Balance on Hand December 31, 1944		$1,196.51
Check Book Balance	$ 953.86	
Savings Bank	20.65	
Bonds	222.00	
	$1,196.51	

EXPENDITURES BY DIVISIONS

January 1, 1944—December 31, 1944

	General	Senior High	Junior High	Elementary	Total
School Committee, Office, etc.	$ 217.20	......	......	......	$ 217.20
Superintendent's Travelling Expense	250.00	......	......	......	$250.00
Supervisor of Attendance	100.00	......	......	......	100.00
Clerk	1,150.00	......	......	......	1,150.00
Salaries	3,000.00	$18,452.99	$18,400.80	$32,392.47	72,846.26
Textbooks	......	304.93	340.52	946.41	1,591.86
Supplies for Instruction	......	1,009.30	368.59	982.80	2,360.69
Janitors' Wages	......	1,795.00	1,536.00	4,914.01	8,245.01
Fuel	......	932.39	932.39	2,602.32	4,467.10
Janitors' Supplies	......	217.86	214.77	529.88	962.51
Water	......	57.70	57.72	93.02	208.44
Electricity	......	330.47	330.48	488.44	1,149.39
Miscellaneous School Plant	......	33.87	33.87	187.16	254.90
Repairs and Furnishings	......	756.93	537.09	2,010.95	3,304.97
Outlay	......	220.36	2.50	700.90	923.76
Library	......	80.58	79.23	......	159.81
Health	......	579.63	580.23	1,729.33	2,889.19
Transportation	......	2,201.93	2,412.81	3,308.58	7,923.32

EXPENDITURES BY DIVISIONS (Continued)

	General	Senior High	Junior High	Elementary	Total
Tuition	......	165.95	......	......	165.95
Sundries	......	35.27	25.43	118.12	178.82
Graduation	......	102.00	......	......	102.00
Insurance	......	473.85	473.85	631.13	1,578.83
Total Town	$ 5,317.20	$27,751.01	$26,326.28	$51,635.52	$111,030.01
Oakes Ames Fund	274.75	664.44	1,135.81	1,425.00	3,500.00
Total*	$ 5,591.95	$28,415.45	$27,462.09	$53,060.52	$114,530.01
Average Membership	999.00	187.00	252.00	560.00	999.00
Cost per pupil in average membership not including capital outlay and tuition	*$ 5.60	*$ 149.89	*$ 108.97	*$ 93.50	*$ 113.55
Average in State, year ending June 30, 1944	5.14	176.21	135.28	108.77	129.63

*Includes amounts paid by Oakes Ames and Oliver Ames Funds.

EXPENDITURES BY DEPARTMENTS—SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, GRADES X TO XII

January 1, 1944—December 31, 1944

	General	Commercial	English	Social Studies	Household Arts	Latin	Mathematics	Modern Language	Practical Arts	Science	Physical Education	Art	Music	Total
Salaries	$1,416.58	$4,522.80	$2,890.84	$1,864.80	$341.26	$303.52	$1,762.89	$910.44	$408.87	$2,544.96	$1,152.52	$171.36	$108.15	18,452.99
Textbooks	5.63	54.94	75.22	46.70	....	6.08	16.68	34.62	2.52	30.96	6.30	....	25.28	304.93
Supplies	281.13	293.34	21.10	86.00	.90	1.40	3.04	4.66	52.95	94.44	170.34	....	....	1,009.30
Janitors' Wages	1,795.00	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,795.00
Fuel	932.39	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	932.39
Janitors' Supplies	217.86	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	217.86
Water	57.70	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	57.70
Electricity	330.47	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	330.47
Misc. School Plant	33.87	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	33.87
Repairs & Furnishings	643.63	81.10	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	32.20	....	....	....	756.93
Outlay	5.36	215.00	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	220.36
Library	80.58	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	80.58
Health	579.63	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	579.63
Transportation	2,201.93	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2,201.93
Tuition	165.95	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	165.95
Sundries	35.27	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	35.27
Graduation	102.00	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	102.00
Insurance	473.85	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	473.85
Total Town	$9,358.83	$5,167.18	$2,987.16	$1,997.50	$342.16	$311.00	$1,746.61	$949.72	$464.34	$2,702.56	$1,329.16	$171.36	$223.43	$27,751.01
Oakes Ames Fund					62.50				601.94					664.44
Total*	$9,358.83	$5,167.18	$2,987.16	$1,997.50	$404.66	$311.00	$1,746.61	$949.72	$1,066.28	$2,702.56	$1,329.16	$171.36	$223.43	$28,415.45
Average Membership														187.00

Cost per pupil in average membership, not including outlay and tuition, year ending December 31, 1944 *$ 149.89
Average in state, not including outlay and trade school tuition, year ending June 30, 1944 176.21

*Indicates amounts paid by Oakes Ames and Oliver Ames Funds.

EXPENDITURES BY DEPARTMENTS JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, GRADES VII—IX

January 1, 1944—December 31, 1944

	General	English	Latin	Social Studies	Mathematics	Household Arts	Science	Art	Music	Physical Education	Pratical Arts	Total
Salaries	$1,448.67	$3,988.51	$303.52	$3,280.43	$3,035.00	$1,210.24	$1,710.01	$856.64	$926.95	$1,027.51	$613.32	$18,400.80
Textbooks	23.80	131.33	....	23.80	83.75	....	54.31	....	17.24	6.29	....	340.52
Supplies for Instruction	256.84	29.07	1.40	25.20	1.62	1.80	13.03	3.83	....	35.80	....	368.59
Janitors' Wages	1,536.00	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,536.00
Fuel	932.39	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	932.39
Janitors' Supplies	214.77	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	214.77
Water	57.72	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	57.72
Electricity	330.47	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	330.47
Miscellaneous School Plant	33.88	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	33.88
Repairs & Furnishings	537.09	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	537.09
Outlay	2.50	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2.50
Library	79.23	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	79.23
Health	580.23	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	580.23
Transportation	2,412.81	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2,412.81
Sundries	25.43	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	25.43
Insurance	473.85	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	473.85
Total Town	$8,945.68	$4,148.91	$304.92	$3,329.43	$3,120.37	$1,212.04	$1,777.35	$860.47	$944.19	$1,069.60	$613.32	$26,326.28
Oakes Ames Fund						187.50					948.31	1,135.81
Total*	$8,945.68	$4,148.91	$304.92	$3,329.43	$3,120.37	$1,399.54	$1,777.35	$860.47	$944.19	$1,069.60	$1,561.63	$27,462.09
Average Membership												252.00
Cost per pupil in average membership, not including outlay, year ending December 31, 1944											*$	108.97
Average in State, not including outlay, June 30, 1944												135.28

*Includes amounts paid by Oakes Ames and Oliver Ames Funds.

ENROLLMENT BY GRADES — OCTOBER 2, 1944

	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	P. G.	Sp. Cl.	To- tal
Junior-Senior High School								84	93	71	88	65	53			454
North Easton Grammar School	32	45	32	35	62	53	60								11	330
South Easton School		6	7	11	6	15	11									56
Eastondale School		15	14	10	14	15	9									77
Furnace Village School		11	14	8	12	8	12									65
Poquanticut School		4	6	2												12
Unionville School		8	6	9	5											28
Total	32	89	79	75	99	91	92	84	93	71	88	65	53		11	1022

CENSUS REPORT

The annual census of children in town between the ages of 5 and 16 was taken as of October 1, 1944, as required by law.

	Boys	Girls	Total
Under 5 years attending school	5	6	11
Between the ages of 5 and 7	74	75	149
Between the ages of 7 and 16	422	345	767
	501	426	927

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

JUNE 22, 1944

1. March: Victory — Herfurth
2. Invocation
   Reverend Edwin Loew
3. National Anthem
   Orchestra and Audience
4. Address of Welcome by Class President
   Norman Pierson
5. Selections by Glee Club
   May Magic — Stratton
   The Rosary — Nevin
   Echo-Hey — Bliss
   Glorious Forever — Rachmanioff
   Accompanist—Shirley Anderson
6. Address: Where Are You Going?
   Professor Robert S. Illingworth
7. Selection: Progress of Youth — Herfurth
8. Award of
   (a) Catherine Hobart Ames Scholarship—Shirley Anderson
   (b) Young Scholarship—Margaret Walsh
   (c) Outlook Club Award—Vieno Peltonen
   (d) Browning-Clover Club Scholarship—Esther Halvarson
   (e) Laural Club Scholarship—Helen Holmes
   (f) J. Francis O'Neil Athletic Scholarship—John Harlow
   (g) J. Francis O'Neil Athletic Trophy—Herbert DeCouto
   (h) Washington and Franklin History Certificate—Robert Milligan
   (i) Diplomas
   Mr. Arthur F. Anderson
9. Class Song
   Words by Myrtle Martin — Music by Helen Holmes
10. Benediction
    Reverend Jesse E. Martin
11. March: Army Air Corps — Crawford

LIST OF HONORS

GENERAL HONORS

Graduated with High Honors

Shirley Virginia Anderson
Barbara May MacLeod
Margaret Mary Walsh

Graduated with Honors

Stewart Edward Chisholm
Thelma Eleanor Grahn
Esther Elaine Halvarson
John Joseph Harlow
Helen Florence Holmes
Mary Elizabeth McCann
Emily Mae MaDan
Myrtle Louis Martin
Impi Ilona Niemi
Vieno Amanda Peltonen
Edwin Norman Pierson
Frederick William Schultz
Donald Francis Varnum

A pupil to be graduated with high honors must have an average of "A" in all subjects; to be graduated with honors he must have an average of "B".

SPECIAL HONORS

High Honors

Shirley Anderson—English, History, Latin, French
Esther Halvarson—French
Helen Holmes—Domestic Arts
Barbara MacLeod—Stenography
Myrtle Martin—Typewriting
Mary McCann—English
Margaret Walsh—History

Honors

Stewart Chisholm—History, Mathematics
Thelma Grahn—Typewriting
Esther Halvarson—History
John Harlow—Mathematics
Barbara MacLeod—English, Bookkeeping, Typewriting, Domestic Arts
Myrtle Martin—Stenography
Mary McCann—History
Impi Niemi—Stenography, Typewriting

Vieno Peltonen—Typewriting
Donald Varnum—Science
Margaret Walsh—English

High Honors are given pupils whose yearly marks in particular subjects are all "A's"; honors are given those who have received but one "B", all other yearly marks being "A". Honors will not be given in subjects requiring less than two years in curriculum nor to any pupils pursuing a subject less than the maximum number of years.

CLASS OF 1944

Francis Joseph Alward
Alden Gotfrid Waldemar Anderson
Beverly Jeanne Anderson
*Charles Donald Anderson
Shirley Virginia Anderson
Paul Gustav Anderson
Harold Franklin Barter
Phyllis Gloria Broman
Margaret Veronica Brophy
Ellen Alice Geraldine Carlson
Robert Edward Chisholm
*Stewart Edward Chisholm
Jeanne Carolyn Craig
Mary Adeline DaCosta
Kathleen Iva Doyle
Anna Louise Erickson
Virginia Mae Freeman
*Manuel Peter Freitas
William Avery French
Norma Irene Geddes
Mary Ann Gomes
Thelma Eleanor Grahn
Shirley Joan Gunn
Esther Elaine Halvarson
John Joseph Harlow
*Patrick Henry Joseph Hart
Barbara Ellsworth Heath
Jean Lorraine Hill
Warren Richard Hollertz
Helen Florence Holmes
Vincent Patrick Hurley
Edmond Charles Johnson
Ruth Althea Johnson
Barbara Cornelia Loughlin
Lilian Esme MacKinnon
Emily Mae MaDan
*John James Maliff
Barbara May MacLeod
Myrtle Louise Martin
Mary Elizabeth McCann
Rose Adelaide McDonald
*John Thomas McNamara
John Miller
Marguerite Louise Monroe
Mary Leona Murphy
Impi Ilona Niemi
*Brian Lawrence Nolan
Joan Cody Peterson
Vieno Amanda Peltonen
Edwin Norman Pierson
*John Alexander Pires
John Edward Pomeroy
*George Corenlius Powell, Jr.
Frederick William Schultz
*Donald Francis Varnum
Margaret Mary Walsh

*In the armed forces of the United States

ORGANIZATION

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Arthur F. Anderson, Chairman
15A Mechanic Street, North Easton
Telephone 454 — Term expires, March, 1946

Mrs. Alice K. Briggs — Center Street, North Easton
Telephone 318 — Term expires, March, 1947

Roger A. McNamara — Depot Street, South Easton
Telephone 303-W — Term expires, March, 1945

Horace H. Mitchell — Washington Street, South Easton
Telephone 484 — Term expires, March, 1947

Edgar W. Watts — 204 Elm Street, North Easton
Term expires, March, 1945

Superintendent of Schools

Gilbert C. Mann

Residence, 7 Howland Court, North Easton — Telephone 537
Office, Oliver Ames High School Building — Telephone 17

Clerk

Marilyn E. Boulette

Residence, Turnpike Street, South Easton — Telephone 547-W-3

Office Hours: 8:00 to 11:45 A. M.; 1:15 to 5:00 P. M. on school days. Saturday, 9:00 A. M. to 12:00 M. Monday evenings, 7:00 to 8:00. Hours during the summer vacation: 9:00 to 11:45 A. M.; 1:15 to 4:30 P. M., Mondays to Fridays inclusive. Monday evenings, 7:00 to 8:00. Educational and employment certificates written at the office only.

School Physician

Dr. Robert B. Porter, 5 Day Street, North Easton, Telephone 27

School Nurse

Grace M. Murch, B.S., R.N.

Office, Oliver Ames High School Building — Telephone 17
Office Hours: 8:15 to 8:35 A. M. and 1:00 to 1:15 P. M.

Supervisor of Attendance

Alfred H. Dahlborg — 209 Main Street, North Easton
Telephone 346

School Calendar

Winter Term—January 2, 1945, to February, 16, 1945, inclusive
Spring Term—February 26, 1945, to April 13, 1945, inclusive
Summer Term—April 23, 1945, to June 22, 1945, inclusive
Fall Term—Opens September 5, 1945

School Committee Meetings

High School Building, first Monday evening of each month, at 7:30 o'clock. If the first Monday is a holiday, the meeting is held on the second Monday.

SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

OLIVER AMES JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated	Date of App'ntm't	Years of Teaching
Gilman H. Campbell	Principal Geometry	Bowdoin College, A.B. Harvard University, M.Ed.	1927-9	40
[illegible]	Commercial	Boston University, B.S.	1941-9	7
[illegible]	Art Supervisor in Grades	Vesper George School of Art	1942-9	4
[illegible]	ic sic Supervisor in Grades	Boston University, Mus.B.	1937-9	7
[illegible]	Mathematics	Regis College, A.B. Boston University, M.Ed.	1944-9	3
chelyn M. Cowperthwaite	English	§Aroostook State Normal Farmington Normal (Maine) Harvard University (Summer) Boston University (Summer)	1942-9	10
†Margaret E. Dinneen	Commercial	Salem Normal School Boston University (Summer)	1943-9	18
Evelyn Foster	English	Colby College, B.A. Columbia University, M.A.	1943-4	16
‡Ruth G. Grant	Household Arts	Fram. State Teachers College ,B.S.	1935-9	9
Kathryn E. Healey	Mathematics	Boston University, B.S. Harvard University (Summer) Hyannis State Teachers College (Summer)	1936-9	8

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated	Date of App'ntm't	Years of Teaching
Adelaide W. Johnson	Social Studies English	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B. S. §Boston University	1936-9	8
Pauline R. Lyons	Latin French English	New Rochelle College, B. A.	1943-3	10
‡Charles E. MacLeod	Practical Arts	Boston City Training Course for Teachers of Mechanic Arts §Boston University Fitchburg State Teachers College (Summer) Mass. Institute of Technology (Summer)	1931-9	13
John C. Mason	Social Studies	§University of Maine Boston University, B.S. Boston University, M.Ed.	1935-10	18
Barbara Nickerson	English	University of New Brunswick, A.B. §University of London (England) University of Maine (Summer) §Harvard University Columbia University (Summer)	1928-9	22
†Hazel H. Skarp	Science Physical Education	§Michigan State College Posse School	1942-12	4
Beth S. Smith	Commercial	Salem Normal Bryant College Simmons College (Summer) §Boston University	1939-9	14
Peter J. Sperandio	Science	St. Anselm College, A.B. §Harvard University	1942-9	5½

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated	Date of App'ntm't	Years of Teaching
Clement S. Spillane	Science Physical Education	Western State Teachers College, B.S. §Boston University Mass. State College (Summer) Bates College (Summer)	1937-9	10
Gladys T. Thomas	Social Studies	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S.	1939-10	6
		NORTH EASTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL		
Johanna G. McFadden	Principal Grades 5 and 6, P. M.	Bridgewater Normal §Boston University	1929-9	22
†Olive H. Gurney	Grades 5 and 6, A. M.	Bridgewater State Teachers College §Rhode Island State Teachers College §New Bedford Textile School	1943-9	15
Mary V. Harvey	Six	Bridgewater Normal §Boston University	1922-9	23
Irene M. Fitzpatrick	Five	Lowell State Teachers College, B.S.	1944-9	2
†Grace P. Mills	Four	Oneonta, (N. Y.) Normal	1943-1	15
June N. Canegaly	Four	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S.	1944-9	1
Hazel M. Williamson	Three	Framingham State Teachers College, B.S.	1941-9	3
Mildred J. O'Connor	Two	Framingham Normal School §Boston University	1929-1	16
Ruby L. Barrows	One	Symond's Kindergarten	1902-4	43
Louis E. Canegaly	One	Easton Training Hyannis Normal (Summer)	1904-9	40

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated	Date of App'ntm't	Years of Teaching
*Doris W. Leach	Kindergarten	§Emerson College Perry Kindergarten Normal Boston University (Summer)	1926-9	18
†Virginia T.Stackpole	Special Class	Salem State Teachers College, B.S.	1943-9	3
SOUTH EASTON SCHOOL				
Anabelle P. Newman	Principal One, Two and Three	Manchester City Training	1920-2	35
†Karolyn R. Fisher	Four, Five and Six	North Adams Normal Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S.	1944-9	10
EASTONDALE SCHOOL				
Lucille L. Marvill	Principal Five and Six	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S.	1941-9	3
Priscilla Hayward	Three and Four	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S.	1944-9	1
Esther A. DeAvellar	One and Two	Bridgewater State Teachers College B.S.	1944-9	1
FURNACE VILLAGE SCHOOL				
†Esther J. Heath	Principal Four, Five and Six	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S.	1944-1	20½
Marie A. Porter	One, Two and Three	Eastern State Normal (Maine)	1944-9	3

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated	Date of App'ntm't	Years of Teaching
UNIONVILLE SCHOOL				
Edith V. Goff	One to Four	Taunton High School Hyannis Normal (Summer)	1922-9	26
POQUANTICUT SCHOOL				
Viola M. Geddes	One to Three	Castine Normal School (Maine)	1936-9	11

*Paid in full by Oakes Ames Fund (exception Retirement Fund Contributions).
‡Paid in part by Oaks Ames Fund.
§Attended without graduating.
†Eligible to teach for the duration of the war only.

SCHOOL CUSTODIANS

Alfred H. Dahlborg	Junior-Senior High School	1924-11
Charles A. Malloy	Junior-Senior High School	1942-11
Archibald E. Smith	North Easton Grammar School	1941-3
Clifton C. Ripley	South Easton and Eastondale Schools	1941-5
Everett A. Dunn	Furnace Village School	1928-8
Carrie M. Smith	Unionville School	1939-9
George M. Buck	Poquanticut School	1924-12

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